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On The Roof Of The World

Explorer Crosby Returns From Expedition Across the Plateau of the Pamirs.

Interesting Account of An Approach to the Back Door of Thibet.

Local Russian Consul General The Real Power in All The Region.

Paris, Jan. 30.—Oscar T. Crosby, the American explorer, has returned to Paris from a trip to Central Asia, where he explored parts of Turkistan and Thibet never before visited by a white man. On his way to Thibet Mr. Crosby skirted Afghanistan, visited Chinese Turkistan, and later traversed Kashmir and the Karakoram caravan route, probably one of the most difficult used by human beings, to India. His investigation developed that China was threatened from another quarter, by her rear door, and that an advance by Russia and Great Britain in this direction may become as important in its possible results to the United States as a move of the European powers from the sea.

Mr. Crosby said: "I left the United States last May, stopping at St. Petersburg to obtain permission to pass through Russian Turkistan. The Russian authorities were courteous, and gave me a letter of introduction to Gen. Petrovsky, Russian consul at Kashgar, in Chinese Turkistan. I took the trans-Caspian road to Andijan, meeting on the way Capt. Agincourt, of the French army, who joined me in my journey. From Andijan we went by camel to Kashgar, reentered the caravan and started for Thibet, eventually arriving at Dhoti, at the base of the Fuen-tan mountains. Here we began to ascend the Thibetan plateau elevations, which range from 15,000 to 18,000 feet. We traveled at this height for eight weeks, suffering from the rarified air and cold. As we could only carry supplies for twenty days we endeavored to make Kudek, in Thibet, whence we intended to ascend to the Himalayas.

"Unfortunately I lost my chronometer and nautical almanac, and was unable to take observations. We consequently took a more southerly course than desired. It was impossible to correct the mistake because the country was trackless and uninhabited for hundreds of miles. We could find no openings in the mountains leading to Reuek, the recessed unexplored region known as the Wild West.

"Our horses died rapidly, and we had but a few days' supplies left when two of our most trusted men were sent on the last animals to travel in search of aid. They rode 100 miles before they found anyone. At the end of eleven days they returned with camels and provisions. The Nomads, who are like our Indians, refused to go to Thibet, so there was nothing to do except accompany them to an uninhabited region known as Little Thibet, which forms part of British Kashmir.

"My purpose in visiting Central Asia was to study the past political and racial questions connected with that region. I did not believe it possible to reach Lhasa, except by force or in disguise, and, therefore, proposed merely to go as far as I could.

"The British expedition under Colonel Younghusband had been about to enter Lhasa. The Thibetans cannot resist. Those I saw were mild and peaceful people governed by priests, who, so far as we knew, do not inculcate the military spirit, which is contrary to the precepts of Buddhism and Lamaism. The result of the expedition will be some form of British control. Russia is doing nothing to prevent success and I do not think anything can be done. I do not believe Russia seriously contemplates acquiring the country, for if a native frontier ever existed to their empire, it certainly lies north of the vast deserts and tremendous mountains which must be crossed before the inhabited part of Thibet can be reached. Russia can stand British control and influence because she will take Chinese Turkistan as a set-off. The inhabited part of the latter territory is rich and populous. The oases contain 500,000 people, who live on irrigated land. The Russians can stand the commercial situation of all this region because of its proximity to their railway. Chinese Turkistan is still Chinese to outward appearance, having officials appointed from Peking, and the Russian consul-general at Kashgar, who is guarded by sixty Cossacks, is the real power. Even if the people wished to do so, which I doubt, they would be powerless to resist the Russians. Consul-General Petrovsky, who is the Russian representative in the region, is of no great importance to the world at large, and that it concerns merely Russia and India.

"The importance of the question lies in the fact that the taking of that territory or Thibet, which is under Chinese suzerainty, will be dismembering China. The object of the British is to make it impossible for the Russians to establish themselves in Thibet, and to do this effectively they will have to institute some kind of control. Nevertheless the United States, which is interested in China, must turn their attention to the back of the empire and keep an eye there while watching the sea coast.

"With respect to Afghanistan, both the Russians and British state, and do not desire to disturb this situation, though each fears the other may gain the ascendancy over the Amer.

Crosby will return to New York in February.

THORPE'S

Pale
Dry
Ginger
Ale.

MRS. MAYBRICK RELEASED

Celebrated Case Terminated Yesterday by the Liberation of the Prisoner After Having Served Fifteen Years Imprisonment for the Alleged Poisoning of Her Husband.

Mr. Frank Richards, of Vancouver, who is in town, has received a cable from London announcing the release from prison on Saturday afternoon of Mrs. Maybrick. Notwithstanding the statements in the press to the contrary and the statements reported as emanating from the American embassy in London, Mr. Richards, who was connected with the case, had assurances that she would be liberated before the end of the present month. It will be remembered that Mrs. Maybrick was condemned to death for the alleged murder of her husband, but the home secretary, after the most careful consideration, found there was a reasonable doubt whether in fact James Maybrick's death was caused by poison, and he commuted the sentence to imprisonment for life. Mr. Richards' recent articles on the case have been widely reprinted throughout England, France and America, and the assertions therein were supported entirely from the official papers which are in his possession. He was lately informed that such a presentation of the case should have been made before, but that the release might be expected during the present month. Mr. Richards was associated in the case with Lord Russell (then Sir Charles Russell), H. Poland, K. C., Fletcher Moulton, K. C., Alexander MacDonnell, K. C., Reginald Smith, K. C., all leading counsel, and was sent by Minister Lincoln, the American ambassador at that time to properly put the case before the American people which he did at the convention in Chicago, of 1892, before American friends of the state in the Union.

Lord Russell, before his death, wrote a letter to the secretary of state, in which he stated that the continued im-



MRS. FLORENCE MAYBRICK
At the Time of Her Trial.

prisonment of Mrs. Maybrick was a disgrace to the administration of the criminal law in England. This letter he wrote as the Lord Chief Justice of England, and it is printed in full in Barry's Life of Lord Russell of Kilowen.

Mr. Richards' recent presentations of the case were printed extensively by the Vancouver and Eastern press, and dealt with the medical evidence. He proved by the admissions made by Dr. Humphreys, who attended James Maybrick, before the coroner, that he had administered over eighty doses of arsenic within six days of the death, and mixed the arsenic in a careless manner at the bedside of the patient. He afterwards confessed to having thrown away the remaining doses when Maybrick complained that it hurt his throat. The analysts only found one-twentieth of a fatal dose in the body, and which was more than accounted for by the arsenic administered by Dr. Humphreys. The coroner was very severe on this point, but it was completely lost sight of at the trial, which is one more of the mysteries incident in the case. The arsenic thrown away by Dr. Humphreys was sufficient to account for the trace found in the lavatory basin. Besides, Dr. Humphreys mixed it in the early evening, and later in the sick room, which was afterwards used for the food, and which was also said to contain a trace of arsenic, but as the nurses were in complete control of the patient this portion of the case was not pressed.

The judge commented upon the peculiar fact that there was only one glass used for food and medicine, but stated that such appeared to be a fact. Doctor Humphreys administered about twenty poisonous drugs within ten days of the man's death, among which were prussic acid and strychnine.

Nanaimo City Happenings

Plant of the Electric Light Company About to Be Greatly Extended.

Vast Shoals of Herrings Result in Choking of Coal Washer Pumps.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Nanaimo, Jan. 30.—An important extension of their plant is contemplated by the Nanaimo Electric Light Company. The dynamo are at present generating power by furnaces fed with coal and the bills for fuel have been heavier than usual this winter owing to the extraordinarily large proportion of gloomy days. Now it happens that just when the demand for light and the expense for power are at their heaviest, force is running away without doing any service at the falls of the Millstone river scarcely half a mile from the power house. This fact has not been taken advantage of before because the stream is not available all the year round and the patronage of the company was scarcely so extensive as to justify a double plant. The extension of the system has been the subject of a long and arduous campaign, and the company is seriously considering the advisability of putting in a turbine at the falls and transferring the plant to that point. Surveys are now being made, and although the question has not yet been definitely decided, notices have been posted announcing the intention of the company to apply for water rights. Should the estimates now being made give promise of success in the application of water power, the production of electricity here it is believed that the rates to consumers will be reduced.

A most curious effect has been produced by the enormous influx of herring into the harbor here, this being the stopping of the new coal washer erected by the Western Fuel Company. This huge machine into which water is pumped from the harbor and by means of which the incombustible matter is separated from the finer coal. Large shoals of herring a day or two ago found their way into the suction pipe and down into the washer where they got into the coal in such quantities and became entangled in the machinery, that they had to stop the machine. Large shoals of herring a day or two ago found their way into the suction pipe and down into the washer where they got into the coal in such quantities and became entangled in the machinery, that they had to stop the machine. Large shoals of herring a day or two ago found their way into the suction pipe and down into the washer where they got into the coal in such quantities and became entangled in the machinery, that they had to stop the machine.

STILL HARPING ON CANADA.

Boston, Jan. 30.—Among the measures introduced in the legislature today was a resolution in favor of reciprocity with Canada.

AUTOMOBILE TOURNEY.

Willie Vanderbilt Wins First Mile Race in Florida.

Ormond, Fla., Jan. 30.—W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., won the first mile automobile race today. The time was 40:30-45.

TO RAISE FREIGHT RATES.

Montreal, Jan. 30.—The Canadian Pacific general manager announced today that they had entered into an agreement with the American transcontinental railways to advance freight rates on a large number of commodities. The agreement is the first of the kind made between the C. P. R. and Northern Pacific. The agreement, which is one for mutual advantage, can be broken, if the advantage does not materialize.

KING CHARLES' EXECUTION.

Two Hundred and Fifty-Fifth Anniversary Celebrated in London.

London, Jan. 30.—Wreaths and floral tributes today bedecked the statue of Charles I. in Trafalgar square in commemoration of the two hundred and fifty-fifth anniversary of his execution. The Royal Oak Club of Edinburgh and the White Cockade Club and other Jacobite societies sent their usual wreaths. The statue was visited by large crowds during the day.

MOLYNEUX ST JOHN DEAD AT OTTAWA

The Well Known Journalist and Blackrod of Commons Passes Away.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Jan. 30.—The latest report is that a relative of one of the ministers was secretary of the railway committee.

An application is to be made for a railway charter to build from Crawford Bay, on Kootenay Lake, to Fort Steele. Molyneux St. John, Blackrod of parliament, died tonight after a brief illness. He was sheriff of the Territories in the early seventies, and later a member of the Toronto Globe and Winnipeg Free Press staffs.

The city postal staff moved from the Parliament buildings tonight to the old office, which is temporarily repaired.

WIRINGS FROM WINNIPEG CITY

B. C. Lumbermen En Route to Ottawa—Cashel is Writing Story of His Life.

Winnipeg, Jan. 30.—(Special).—A party of British Columbia lumbermen passed through Winnipeg today, en route to Ottawa to interview the Dominion government on the question of increased protection against the invasions of the United States lumbermen.

Joseph Sheppard, aged 81 years, an old-timer who came to Winnipeg in 1880, and who in early days operated as a mill contractor, died today.

Ernest Cashel, the condemned man at Calgary, is writing the story of his life. The manuscript is in the hands of Colonel Standish, superintendent of the Northwest Mounted Police force at Regina. The manuscript is to be held in trust for John Cashel, and in all probability will not be published until he has served his term of one year's imprisonment.

PILGRIM'S DINNER A HAPPY AUGURY

Banquets in London and New York Most Significant Demonstrations.

London, Jan. 30.—The Daily Telegraph, in an editorial on the Pilgrims' Club dinners in New York and London last night, remarks: "While the threats of war is lowering on the world's horizon, it is a physical relief to turn this morning to one of the most significant demonstrations ever given in the service of science to the growth of international good-will. Last night England and America, to all effects and purposes, dined together for the first time in their history. We question whether there has been anything in our time of better augury for the future relations of the two English-speaking people or more suggestive of the pacific progress of civilization than the simultaneous banquets in London and New York at the opposite ends of one same telegraph wire."

NO GOLD COIN.

U. S. Government Mints Too Busy to Keep Up Supply for Treasury.

Washington, Jan. 30.—For the first time in many years the United States treasury finds itself without any gold in its vaults. It is explained that this condition is the result of the unprecedented demand for gold certificates during the time when the mint has been fully occupied in coining Philippine silver and subsidiary silver for the United States. The secretary of the treasury has given instructions for the mints at Philadelphia and San Francisco to begin the coining of double eagles on February 1st and work over time until a sufficient supply has been coined to meet all demands.

Opening Of Parliament

Session to Be Opened Tuesday By King Edward Fraught With Great Events.

Altered Conditions Developed During Recess Puzzles the Most Knowing.

Schisms in Two Parties Will Render Home Rulers Masters of Situation.

London, Jan. 30.—On Tuesday, February 2nd King Edward will open in full state what promises to be one of the most interesting and important sessions in the history of the British parliament. Every nation in the world is materially concerned in the divisions that will shortly occur in the House of Commons, but upon their result the future policy of the British Empire must largely depend. No government of recent times has ever refaced the legislature under such altered conditions. Since parliament adjourned in June last not only has the cabinet been entirely reconstructed but the party lines have been completely broken.

Seven distinct factions will take seats in the House of Commons on Tuesday, namely the followers of Premier Balfour who favors a policy of tariff retaliation but who objects to protection; the Chamberlainites who insist that protection is necessary to the unity of the Empire; the out-and-out free traders, who are opposed to any tinkering with this fiscal system. The foregoing were at formerly known as Unionists. The Liberals, though they were almost a man free traders, are split up into two definite factions, one following Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman and insisting upon free trade, and the other regarding Lord Rosebery as their leader, who are not so free traders. The Liberal party completes the triple division of the Liberal free trade ranks. John Redmond and the Irish party make the seventh faction.

In view of this complex state of affairs, the most astute politicians frankly confess themselves to be at sea, so many cabinet ministers, including Joseph Chamberlain, Charles T. Ritchie and Lord George Hamilton, have been absent from their accustomed places on the front benches Tuesday. The oldest parliament hands will scarcely be able to distinguish between the supporters and the opponents of government on the fiscal question. The Duke of Devonshire, Lord Avebury, Mr. Goschen, Sir John Gorst, Lord George Hamilton, Lord Hugh Cecil, Winston Spencer Churchill and many others identified with the present party, however, will be Mr. Balfour's most bitter opponents the moment the fiscal question is raised. That will come quickly, for John Morley intends introducing an amendment to the King's speech on this point. It is possible though improbable that Mr. Morley may turn out the government. The debates are likely to take several days. Strenuous efforts are now making to get the free trade Unionist members to abstain from voting against Mr. Balfour but to open up the Liberal forces in opposition to the bill. However, even if this is accomplished and the Duke of Devonshire's followers make common cause with the Liberal wing, Lord Rosebery as their leader, it would not constitute a solution of the differences of opinion which exists between Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman and the Liberal ex-premier.

The best informed persons say that even in the event of a temporary coalition of all the free trade forces, the Irish party has the deciding vote, and all indications point to John Redmond keeping Mr. Balfour in power. But as Mr. Redmond does not make definite pledges the Irish party throughout the session is likely to be an uncertain factor. That will heighten the interest, and any day may make it possible for Mr. Balfour to be deposed. The Irish party's tendency to support the government is understood to be due to the assurances of George Wyndham, the chief secretary for Ireland, that he will establish a Catholic university at Dublin and will amend the Irish land purchase act. These promises, however, Lord Redmond intends attacking the King's speech with a home rule amendment. It is not likely to be attended by any serious results, but the schisms of the English party, swept up by a current of conflicting fiscal convictions, are generally admitted to constitute Ireland's opportunity and Mr. Redmond is now the only leader in the House who can rely on the continued solid support of all Irish members.

The King's speech is likely to deal with British neutrality in the Far Eastern crisis and to then outline the proposed domestic legislation, the chief item of which will be the prohibition of the immigration of the destitute aliens on the laws now in force in the United States. Besides the amendments of Messrs. Morley and Redmond the government will be attacked on the war commission. This will be taken up by William S. Robinson, Liberal. Another amendment will be moved by David Lloyd George, Liberal, denouncing the government's education act, while the employment of Chinese labor in the Transvaal is likely to come in for severe criticism. A few months ago these topics would create great interest, and might have driven the government into a corner. Now they are almost forgotten in the question of the hour, free trade versus protection.

Many members of the House of Commons scarcely know their own minds on the vital topic, and several are undecided as to which side of the house to sit when the King convenes parliament Tuesday.

PETER'S REPENTANCE.

Belgrade, Jan. 30.—King Peter's chief aide de camp, Col. Popovics, one of the leading regicides, will be replaced by an officer who was not concerned in the assassination of King Alexander and Queen Draga. It is hoped thus to satisfy the powers, who have withdrawn their representatives from Serbia.

SHORTAGE OF PAPER.

Boston, Jan. 30.—Reports received here indicate a shortage in newspaper, book, writing and white paper because of the freezing up of the streams which run mills. The paper manufacturing districts of New England have never experienced such a hard winter, and the sources of water power are frozen. The supply of wood pulp is short. The International Paper Company for the first time has been importing wood pulp from Norway.

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ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

Victorias vs. the Garrison.

The first provincial league match of the season took place yesterday afternoon on the Caledonia grounds between the Victoria and Garrison teams, and was witnessed by some 300 enthusiasts, the Garrison supporters being particularly noticeable. After a stubborn and well-fought contest, the match ended in a draw, each side scoring two goals, although the Garrison boys certainly put up the best game, their combination work being particularly good. It is the first time they have been seen on a Victoria football field and they no doubt will make a strong bid for championship honors. The Victoria boys were badly handicapped by the loss of their crack left wing forward, L. York, and lacked the combination work of their opponents. Garrison scored the first goal for Victoria from a penalty off Mitchell. Some very pretty play followed, Matthews finally scoring for the Garrison just before half time. In the second half the Victorians started off with a rush, and after some good work, Petticrew scored the second goal for Victoria. Shortly before time Harrison secured the ball and scored for the Garrison, making the score two all. For Victoria Goward, Thompson and York, on the back line, and Petticrew and Tyrone, the forwards, put up a splendid game; while for the Garrison Church, Matthews, Pagny and Mitchell are deserving of special mention. The feature of the match was the magnificent handwork of the Garrison men Pagny being especially noticeable. Mr. Richardson acted as referee in a fair and impartial manner, giving entire satisfaction to all concerned.

convert, the ball going just outside the posts. Victoria now realized that matters were very serious. They were rushed into touch ten yards from the goal line and from the throw in a fierce scrum resulted. Then the prettiest play of the day was witnessed. Coley, one of the navy half backs, attempted to pass to Edell, but the midget Bray cleverly intercepted the ball and drawing his man, sent the leather to Ken. Scholefield, who started down the field with Lieut. Ramsay, the giant navy three-quarters in hot pursuit. Both runners were traveling at full speed and a grand race ensued. The bluejackets triumphing the touch line were wild with excitement, especially when the Flora full back sprinted across the field and endeavored to cut off the flying Victoria boy. But Scholefield was equal to the emergency. Just when Ramsay touched him on the right shoulder, he sprouted and cleverly ending the full back drew away from Ramsay, went over the line and touched the ball down immediately behind the goal. This was a great run, being fully seven-eighths of the length of the field and it was greeted with enthusiastic applause by the admiring throng. Bray converted, making the score 6 points to 5 in favor of the Flora. At half time the score was the same.

In the second period, the Victoria boys hoped to win out, but their hopes were quickly dashed to the ground when Al. Gillespie was hurt and forced to retire. Playing a man short the red shirts made a gallant fight, but in spite of all their efforts they were gradually forced into their twenty-five and Ankers scored the third try for the Flora. This time his attempt succeeded and he converted with a splendid kick, which was loudly applauded by the Victoria boys.

The Victoria boys are not disheartened

middle; Mr. E. Bailey, the feather, and Mr. William Hill, the bantam. Those desirous of challenging these men will have the opportunity of sending in their names, together with the entrance fee of \$1, to Mr. G. A. Morphy, Board of Trade building, Victoria, up to Saturday next, February 6th. Entries positively close at 12 o'clock noon on that day. Any weight in which no competitor appears, will be adjudged as giving the championship to the present claimant, and they will be presented by the club with the challenge cup and medal. Contents of the box will be made available to the public and the names of the victors and residents of the province and give the name of the club to which they belong or names of reference as to good standing. The bouts will be held in conjunction with an assault at arms being arranged for by the active and efficient Victoria West Athletic Club.

Ryan and O'Brien Matched.

New York, Jan. 30.—The World today says: "Tommy Ryan and Philadelphia Jack O'Brien have been virtually matched to fight for the middle-weight championship of the world in the latter part of next month before the Yosemite Athletic Club of San Francisco."

WRESTLING.

Championship of the World.

London, Jan. 30.—In a Graeco-Roman wrestling match at the Olympia tonight for the championship of the world, a purse of \$10,000 and a side bet of \$500, George Hackenschmidt, a Russian, won the first fall, within one minute from Anmed Madrali, a Turk. Madrali's arm was broken by the fall and Hackenschmidt was declared winner.

The Olympia was crowded by thousands of Londoners, whose interest had been aroused by the reports concerning the preparations of the men for the match.

(Both men took the mat apparently in the peak of condition. Hackenschmidt weighed 205 pounds and the Turk 224. Hackenschmidt was five feet nine inches tall, fifty-two inches chest measurement, eighteen inches biceps and twenty-eight and a half inches thigh. Madrali's height was six feet one and a half inches, chest fifty-two inches, biceps eighteen inches, thigh forty inches. At the ring-side the betting was six to two on Madrali. When time was called Hackenschmidt slipped in securing a neck hold and Madrali took like hold over the arm of the Russian. He quickly shifted, however, and tried to break the hold of the Russian by driving his finger nails into his opponent's nostrils, with the object of forcing his head back. Hackenschmidt shifted his hold and caught the Turk's waist. In trying to force his arm around for a back hammer, Madrali's arm was dislocated at the elbow. The Russian then threw Madrali heavily, which the Turk was (a) able to resist owing to his injury. The referee quickly declared the point a pinfall. The actual time of the bout was 41 seconds.

Hackenschmidt is generally known as the "Russian Lion," owing to his physical development and untarnished record. Madrali, who was recently a favorite wrestler of the Sultan, is popularly known as the "Terrible Turk." He was rumored before the match that racial antipathy would be shown at the meeting. There has been a remarkable revival in the interest in wrestling throughout England during the past few weeks and a museum in the city is running wrestling.

HOCKEY.

Victoria vs. Nanaimo.

(The Boys' Game.)

A very interesting match took place on the Oak Bay grounds yesterday afternoon between teams representing the Nanaimo and Victoria College boys teams. Play started about 2 o'clock and was very evenly contested throughout. In the first half Gibson, who was playing a splendid game, although handicapped by a bad knee, scored the first goal for the locals. In the second half play at times was quite brilliant and in spite of Victoria's splendid defense, McKinnon put the puck through, making the score one all. No further scoring being done.

(The Girls' Game.)

Shortly after the boys' game the match between the Nanaimo girls and those representing Victoria College, was started, and a most exciting game ensued. The teams were evenly matched and although the play was fast neither scored during the first half. After some fast play and good team work, Miss Corlier, with a very clever shot, scored for the local team, the match ending 10 in favor of Victoria College girls. For Nanaimo Misses Johnson, Priestly and Gibson were especially prominent. Misses Corlier, Cameron, Spencer, Dalby and Somerville played a splendid game for Victoria.

GOLF.

The fourth monthly medal competition of the Victoria Golf Club played yesterday on their links at Oak Bay, resulted as follows:

Ladies—14 Holes.			
Score.	Imp.	Result.	
Mrs. Holland	43	18	75
Mrs. Lang	42	22	80
Mrs. Todd	40	24	81
Miss Langley	40	24	81
Miss Bell	40	25	85
Mrs. Combe	38	8	85
Mrs. Macdonald	38	11	82
Mrs. Martin	38	15	91
Mrs. A. W. Jones	38	15	91
Miss G. Green	38	35	95
Miss Powell	38	39	102
Mrs. Macdonald	38	39	102
Mrs. Barton	38	39	102
Mrs. Langley and Miss Drake returned no score.			

Gentlemen.			
Score.	Imp.	Result.	
Mr. C. W. Rhodes	34	20	74
Mr. A. D. Crease	36	10	76
Mr. A. T. Goward	34	12	82
Mr. W. F. Burton	33	11	82
Mr. L. Garrow	32	17	82
Mr. A. H. Goldbach	33	8	83
Mr. H. Combe	31 plus 2	8	83
Mr. A. G. Smith	30	25	83
Mr. H. Cookson	30	13	83
Mr. W. H. Langley	30	13	83
Mr. P. S. Lammiman	30	25	84
Mr. B. G. Goward	30	18	85
Mr. H. R. Burroughs	30	20	85
Mr. J. P. Langley	29	7	88
Mr. C. N. Colwell	29	3	90
Mr. A. P. Linton	28	7	91
Mr. R. H. T. Drake	28	12	91
Mr. C. B. St. Schmidt	27	12	91
Col. A. W. Jones	27	14	97
Mr. W. J. Ambury	23	24	100
Capt. C. Davidson and A. Robertson returned no score.			

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Be sure and get Martell's Three Star. Dr. H. H. Conner.—A large crowd attended the concert at the Drill Hall last evening and the selections given by the band were much enjoyed, while the basketball match was watched with keen interest. Next Saturday the J. B. A. play the Fernwebers, when an exciting struggle is expected.

ASTHMA—IT'S THE DUTY OF ALL who suffer with Asthma to try Dr. Clarke's Kola Compound, the only remedy positively cures Asthma. It cured hundreds of others, there is no reason why it won't cure you. Miss Laniel, grocer, Montreal, writes: "After suffering for years with Asthma and tried many so-called remedies I found Clarke's Kola Compound the only remedy that did me any good. It has entirely cured me. We will be pleased to send you a sample." Dr. J. Griffiths & Macpherson Co., Limited, Toronto.

A novel rescue from a drowning accident was that accomplished near one of the wharves where a railway engine pulled up his train and allowed a lot of his passengers to hurry down to the river and pull out of the water a lad who had broken through while skating.

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MONDAY, SALE PRICE 25c.

SILK DEPT. BARGAINS

Don't skip over any of these items thinking they are only ordinary; if you do, well, you will be sorry.

32-inch French Bengallies; rich, elegant black; a most queenly fabric. Regular \$3.75.

MONDAY, SALE PRICE \$2.00

400 yards Handsome Black Brocade Silk Lyons' dye and finish. Regular \$1.00.

SALE PRICE, MONDAY 65c.

Regular \$1.75.

SALE PRICE, MONDAY \$1.00

75c VELVETEENS 50c

400 yards Extra Fine Quality Silk-finished Dress Velveteen; in a complete range of new colors. One of our best selling lines at 75c.

MONDAY, SALE PRICE 50c.

One box Black Velveteen, fine quality. Regular 65c.

SALE PRICE 45c.

24 special offerings of rich Silk Velveteens. You know the quality, we handle. The regular \$1.00 quality, 65c; the regular \$1.50 quality, \$1.00.

BIG SKIRTING BARGAINS

12½c. WORTH UP TO 65c.

Monday is the day we part company with the Good Quality Moresen and Electro Satin Underskirts; worth up to 65c.

CLEARING SALE PRICE 12½c

DRESS TRIMMINGS

Just to clear up all the Oddsments we make Tremendous Reductions in Trimmings.

Trimmings worth up to \$2.25.

SALE PRICE 25c.

Trimmings worth up to 75c.

SALE PRICE 10c.

\$1.00 KID GLOVES 50c

Ladies' Black French Kid Gloves; done fasteners, all sizes. Regular \$1.00.

SALE PRICE, MONDAY 50c.

30c. Black Ringwood Gloves.

SALE PRICE 15c.

Ribbons and Embroideries

A clean cut in these two popular Departments. Many lines will move out quickly.

5c Ribbons, Sale Price Monday 2½c

10c Ribbons, Sale Price Monday 5c

12½c Ribbons, Sale Price Monday 7½c

10c Embroideries, Sale Price Monday 5c

15c Embroideries, Sale Price Monday 10c

25c Embroideries, Sale Price Monday 15c

20c COLORED VEILINGS

SALE PRICE, MONDAY 5c.

20 dozen Ladies' Linen Collars, in three styles. Regular 15c, and 20c.

MONDAY, SALE PRICE, 2 FOR 5c.

\$8.00 FANCY CUSHION COVERS \$3.00

10 only Handsome Sample Cushion Tops. The most elegant made. Regular \$7.50 and \$9.00.

MONDAY, SALE PRICE \$3.00

Prices to Take the Crowd Upstairs

Just drop in on Monday and see the happy crowd of shoppers at this popular store. Stand on the balcony and watch the busy buyers.

\$1.25 WRAPPERS 50c

50 only. Ladies' Print Wrappers, dark and light colors, all sizes, regular \$1.25.

MONDAY SALE PRICE 50c.

\$1.75 WRAPPERS 75c

Ladies' Flannelette and Print Wrappers, dark and light colors, all sizes, regular \$1.75.

MONDAY SALE PRICE 75c.

Misses' Blouses, sizes 26, 28, 30; regular \$1.00.

SALE PRICE 25c.

\$2.00 COLORED AND WHITE BLOUSES 50c

75 only. Ladies' Colored and White Cambric Blouses, selling up to \$2.00.

SALE PRICE MONDAY 50c.

THE HUTCHESON CO., Limited, Victoria, B. C.

\$11 CUSHION COVERS, SALE PRICE \$5.00

200 yards Velvet Spot Silk Muslin; 44 inches wide; white ground with navy, black and red and yellow velvet polka dot. Regular 85c.

MONDAY SALE PRICE 25c.

50c Embroidered Chiffons.

SALE PRICE, MONDAY \$1.00

15c Fancy Chiffons.

SALE PRICE, MONDAY 50c.

\$3.50 WHITE BLOUSES \$1.00

Ladies' fine White Blouse Waists, some slightly soiled, all sizes; regular \$3.50.

MONDAY SALE PRICE \$1.00

Whitewear Specials Monday

All splendidly displayed for easy shopping, and specially priced for Monday's Big Sale. We only mention four lines:

Ladies' Drawers, regular 30c.

SALE PRICE 20c.

Corset Covers, regular 45c.

SALE PRICE 35c.

Night Gowns, regular 85c.

SALE PRICE 65c.

Underskirts, regular up to \$1.90.

SALE PRICE \$1.25

Staple Department Bargains

This popular Department has been rushed with Business the past week; the greatest in the history of Victoria. Monday we are at it again with Crowd Getting Prices.

500 yards Fancy Mercerized Art Muslin; 36 inches wide.

MONDAY, SALE PRICE 10c.

400 yards Oriental Repp; handsome patterns for draperies or coverings. Regular 50c.

SALE PRICE 30c.

150 yards Reversible Drapery with fancy border; 48 inches wide. Regular 35c.

MONDAY, SALE PRICE 25c.

30c. Table Linen.

MONDAY, SALE PRICE 22½c.

English Shirting; flannel thoroughly shrunk, plain and fancy. Regular 20c. and 25c.

SALE PRICE 12½c.

Big Bargains in Little Things that Makes the Home Pleasant

15c. Cotton Curtain Loops.

SALE PRICE 10c.

20c. Silk Curtain Loops.

SALE PRICE 12½c.

50c. Silk Curtain Loops.

SALE PRICE 35c.

35c. Silk Cushion Covers.

SALE PRICE 15c.

SPECIAL BARGAINS IN High Grade Curtains

We done some deep thinking before we decided on these prices. They are in the Dry Goods trade what diamonds are to the jeweler, always worth full one hundred cents on the dollar, but we clear them Monday.

BATTENBURG CURTAINS

1 pair, regular \$10.75.

SALE PRICE, MONDAY \$7.00

5 pair, regular \$15.50.

SALE PRICE, MONDAY \$10.00

4 pair, regular \$20.00.

SALE PRICE, MONDAY \$13.00

2 pair, regular \$23.00.

SALE PRICE, MONDAY \$15.00

2 pair, regular \$29.50.

SALE PRICE, MONDAY \$18.00

2 pair, regular \$34.25.

SALE PRICE, MONDAY \$21.00

SILK CURTAINS

10 pair, regular \$11.25.

SALE PRICE, MONDAY \$7.50

3 pairs Colored Madras Curtains. Regular \$3.00.

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SALE PRICE 35c.

Night Gowns, regular 85c.

SALE PRICE 65c.

Underskirts, regular up to \$1.90.

SALE PRICE \$1.25

CHILDREN'S WHITE DRESSES

Mothers, bring the little ones Monday. We are going to sell 25 Handsome Dresses, tucked and embroidered, trimmed, fine quality. YOUR CHOICE HALF PRICE.

Stirring Bargains in Men's Furnishings

Be with the crowd Monday. Just watch the boom in this department. No half measure here, but prices for a record day, Monday.

50c SILK NECKWEAR FOR 25c

30 dozen Men's Nobby Silk Neckwear, comprising 15 Neckties, 15 Doorknobs, Puffs, Knots and Bows, in dark and light colorings, and good designs, selling today from 50c. to 75c. each.

Your choice on MONDAY for 25c.

35c WOOL MITTS FOR 15c

Men's Knitted Wool Mitts, in dark colorings, regular values 25c. to 35c. a pair.

Monday we clear them at 15c.

\$1.25 FLANNEL SHIRTS 75c

Men's Heavy Flannel Working Shirts, in dark gray and navy, with collars attached, suitable for miners and others; regular value \$1.25 each.

They receive marching orders on Monday at 75c.

\$1.60 GOLF HOSE FOR 90c

Men's Hand Knitted Golf Hose, with fancy tops, in dark colorings, selling at \$1.25 and \$1.50 a pair.

Out they go MONDAY at 90c.

BATH ROBES

AT LESS THAN COST.

Men's High-Class Bath Robes, made in finest Turkish Toweling, with hood and girdle. Monday will see the last of them at these prices:

\$4.00 BATH ROBES ON MONDAY \$2.75

\$4.50 BATH ROBES ON MONDAY \$3.00

\$6.50 BATH ROBES ON MONDAY \$4.00

\$6.75 BATH ROBES ON MONDAY \$4.50

75c MEN'S UNDERWEAR 45c

Men's Extra Heavy All-Wool Underwear, Pants and Vests, all sizes, good quality. At the regular price 75c each, but at the regular underwear must go. This is the greatest bargain for men every offered.

OUR PRICE MONDAY - 45c

MEN'S FINE ENGLISH VYELLA PYJAMAS

Welch-Margerson's celebrated English Vyella Pyjamas for Men, guaranteed not to shrink, all sizes.

\$2.00 PYJAMAS ON MONDAY \$1.00

\$2.50 PYJAMAS ON MONDAY \$1.25

\$4.50 PYJAMAS ON MONDAY \$2.50

MEN'S SILK NECKWEAR 2 for 25c

Men's Silk Neckwear, in Flowing Ends, Four-in-Hands, Puffs, Knots, etc., worth up to 50c. each.

MONDAY THE PRICE IS 2 FOR 25c

\$1.00 SHIRTS FOR 45c

Men's Colored Shirts with neat stripe designs, detachable cuffs, regular value \$1.00 each.

TO CLEAR MONDAY 45c.

50c WORKING SHIRTS 35c

Men's Iron Frame Working Shirts, made of extra strong Oxford, with collars attached, all sizes, only 1 dozen in the lot, regular value 50c. each.

MONDAY 35c

\$1.50 FLANNEL SHIRTS \$1.00

Men's Striped Flannel Shirts with bands, all sizes, and all sizes, regular value \$1.50 each.

MONDAY \$1.00

15c LINEN COLLARS FOR 5c

Men's 4-ply Linen Collars in broken sizes; regular value 15c. each. Monday will see the last of them at 5c.

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THE U. S. PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN.

Although several months will elapse before the national conventions of the Republican and Democratic parties will meet to nominate their candidates for the Presidency of the United States, the campaign is already opened, and the preliminary movements connected with its organization have been commenced. On the Democratic side the name of no candidate has been mentioned who can be regarded as likely to be a serious opponent to Mr. Roosevelt. Mr. Cleveland still retains much of the influence that he has had in the councils of his party, but that fact is probably due rather to the idea that he is outside the circle of possible candidates than that he might prove to be the choice of his party for the first place on its ticket. Mr. Bryan is still a political force, but is more likely to be found as a supporter of a candidate imbued with his own heretical views on financial questions than as a candidate himself. He may in any case be depended on to oppose Mr. Cleveland, and it is probable that his strength is sufficient to make the nomination impossible of anyone whom he dislikes. Mr. Hearst has been manufacturing a Presidential boom for himself, and if money and the control of newspapers in various centres in the Union can secure a nomination at the Convention, he may have a chance. But so far his support seems to be only among the extremists of all kinds rather than from any solid and influential section of the community.

Mr. Roosevelt looms up as the only possible Republican candidate. Mr. Hanna was thought at one time to have pretensions for the Presidency. He represents about everything in the Republican party which is opposed to Mr. Roosevelt, especially these great financial forces that are not in accord with him. With Mr. Hanna out of the field (and it is understood that he is, and that all health will cause him to retire from the chairmanship of the National Republican Committee, a post that he filled so ably in the campaigns of 1896 and 1900) it is difficult to say who is left to dispute Mr. Roosevelt's pretensions for renomination. It might be thought that this lack of likely candidates would simplify the situation, but the reverse is the case. It probably ensures Mr. Roosevelt's nomination, but his election is not equally certain. Of course, in the interval between now and the election next November much may transpire that will alter the present situation. It is not unlikely that the Democratic candidate may be selected with a particular reference to his possessing certain qualifications calculated to make him a strong candidate in view of the forces in the Republican party which are opposed to Mr. Roosevelt. But at present there is no one in sight.

Already we have a renewal of the controversy as to whether a change should not be made in the law regarding the Chief Magistrate, whereby the term of the Presidential office should be increased to six years and the incumbent not be eligible for re-election. The disturbance of the business of the country every four years by a Presidential electoral campaign is a serious matter, and is becoming still more so with the increasing complexity of financial and industrial affairs. But the strongest point in support of the change is the inconvenience that the Chief Executive of the nation who happens to be also a candidate for that office for the succeeding four years, causes to the ordinary course of political and administrative events. The question arises in regard to such an incident as the United States Government's interference in the recent revolution in Panama, is it the work of President Roosevelt or of Mr. Roosevelt, the candidate for election next November? Of this inconvenience there has never been a plainer illustration than in the present case. Mr. Roosevelt's great abilities, his tremendous energy, his strong convictions and his courage in giving effect to them, make these defects in the present system all the more conspicuous. The people as a whole, we are inclined to think, believe that Mr. Roosevelt's course on great questions of policy is directed by what he believes is in the best interests of the country. But his enemies, both in Congress and outside, find a convenient weapon to their hand in this double character that Mr. Roosevelt has to assume. He has also to face a formidable combination in the Republican party. Mr. Roosevelt's attitude to the great financial combinations and trusts has raised a strong opposition among financial magnates. They assert that he raised the question because he thought he saw in it a means to secure strong support among the people who regard trusts as iniquitous things and designed to oppress the masses. That is the result of Mr. Roosevelt's course on the question, whatever may have been the motive that actuated him. This financial combination may not be as strong as it was when Mr. Morgan was regarded as the king of the world's finance. But the fact that President Roosevelt took a certain course in that matter and that he is now a candidate, gives an opportunity for challenging what his motives were.

THE WEEK IN THE LEGISLATURE.

The completion of the debates on the Budget and the discussions in the Committee of Supply has been the chief items of interest in the Legislature during the past week. As was to be expected most of the members of the Opposition availed themselves of the last of the two opportunities presented during the session for a full discussion of Provincial affairs. Each had a fling at the Government and demonstrated—at least to his own satisfaction—how much better things would be if the Opposition could only successfully storm the Treasury benches. Of that, however, there appears to be no prospect, and for at least four years the Liberals are likely to have to wander through the Opposition desert before they behold the Canaan of their desires and taste the sweets of office. The discussion on the various items in the Estimates was comparatively brief and had little of special interest, the appropriations for public works, of course, being the matter on which most interest was centred. Outside of these items the vote for the Agency-General in London at one time seemed to give promise of a prolonged and vigorous debate, but even Mr. Oliver seemed to have had a surfeit of criticism and the stentorian tone in which he started out in denunciation of that appropriation died away like the last sound of a thunder storm passing into the distance. Perhaps the fact was not entirely forgotten by the member for Delta that the members of the last House, in 1901, were almost unanimous in voting the money for the London Agency, and appeared not disinclined to vote double the amount that the Government then considered was sufficient. Without any reflection on the capacity of the gentleman who now fills the position, we are inclined to think that the amount appropriated for the Agency could be utilized to much more advantage in other directions.

Among other measures of somewhat more than ordinary interest was the vote on the amendment to the Elections Act to reduce the deposit required from candidates for election to the Legislature from \$200 to \$50. It was apparently decided by both sides of the House that this should not be regarded as a party question, and as the result of the vote showed, the amendment had supporters and opponents on both sides of the House. It was defeated by a good majority and we think the people as a whole will support the view taken by the Legislature. British Columbia differs in many respects in its political and social conditions from the provinces in Eastern Canada or the United Kingdom. It is a place where political and legislative experiments of all sorts are tried on a patient electorate and it is difficult to name any proposal that cannot find supporters in this Province or men who are willing to use it as a means of acquiring political notoriety or as a ladder into the Legislature. We say this not in any spirit of disparagement of any political party or theory, however new the former may be or extreme the latter, but as proving that almost anyone can find sufficient support to enable him to make the deposit of \$200 required of candidates for the Legislature. As it is not forfeited unless he fails to secure at least half the votes secured by the lowest of the successful candidates, few will be disposed to consider that any hardship is inflicted if his ambition should prove to be so much greater than the popularity of the cause of which he was the representative that he lost the deposit of \$200. To reduce the amount to \$50 would be certain to largely increase the number of candidates and tend to lower both their standard of ability and fitness and the general tone of the community whose representatives they aspired to be. The present deposit does not prevent reputable workmen from becoming candidates but it does repress cranks and people who have no such popular support as any candidate should have. Another amendment to authorize as an alternative to the money deposit the approval of fifteen per cent of the registered voters to the candidature, was also defeated. Although we can give all proper credit to the motives actuating the third member for Victoria in proposing this amendment, it is one that would not really secure what he desired. It is not difficult to secure signatures to any kind of petition and in this case many persons would regard the appending of their signature to such a document as only a kindly and harmless courtesy to the person soliciting it. Besides, as was pointed out there are very serious difficulties in the way of putting such an arrangement into practical operation, particularly in the case of bye-elections or of a large and thinly settled constituency.

MAYOR BARNARD'S POSITION.

In another column appears a letter from His Worship fully explaining the circumstances which renders it absolutely necessary to have an enabling bill passed allowing him to take his seat as mayor of the city of Victoria. As Mr. Barnard points out, matters of great importance have been transacted during the short time he has held office and in the interests of all concerned it is necessary that these transactions should be made legal and that, too, without unnecessary delay. This can only be done by act of parliament, as no amount of re-electing will make valid what business has been done since the advent to office of the new council. Personally Mr. Barnard, we are given to understand, would prefer to hand in his resignation and seek the popular approval, but unfortunately this course will not fill the bill.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

SUMMER ATTRACTIONS.
Sir,—It sounds like carrying coal to Newcastle, giving ideas on the above subject to Mr. Cuthbert. This will deter many from accepting his invitation to come forward with suggestions. It is more by way of showing a good example that I venture to say that laying out golf links on Beacon Hill would be a very good plan.

MASHIE.

THE MAYOR'S EXPLANATION.
Sir,—The editorial entitled "The Mayor's Chair," in last night's Times, has made it apparent to me, that either I have not fully explained my position to the reporter of that paper or that he misunderstood me when I endeavored to do so. I may say

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that our conversation was over the telephone wires, which is hardly satisfactory method of explanation of a matter at all complicated.

My chief reason for asking for an Act of the Legislature is not because I am afraid to stand for re-election, but in order to validate such official acts as I have performed while acting as Mayor. I have signed salary cheques to the amount of \$12,000 for the month of January, and more important still, have signed a conveyance of a portion of the James Bay flats to the C. P. R. Co., which had to be tendered to them not later than the 23rd of January. It is important in the public interest that these acts should be validated. In asking that the act should be brought in I have told the members on both sides of the House, to whom I have mentioned the matter, that rather than have it become a matter of controversy in the House, I would prefer that it should be dropped altogether.

I think that the Act should be passed validating such acts I have done and relieving me of any penalties I may have incurred while so acting, but I am perfectly satisfied otherwise to resign my seat. In fact, I had a letter of resignation already written in my office, and only decided not to send it in when I found that the opposition and the government had come to an arrangement with respect to the Lilfoet seat. I do not now and hope I never will want to occupy any office in the gift of the people without the consent of the people and quite prepared to stand for re-election if necessary.

If the people don't want to return me at another election, I am ready to accept their verdict.

G. H. BARNARD.

THE BRITISH COLONIST

A. DE COSSMOS, Editor.

SATURDAY, JAN. 29, 1899.

"In every government there is a supreme and absolute power whose function it is to make laws. In this colony that power is vested in the Governor, the Legislative Council and the House of Assembly. Those three constitute the legislature of the colony; our legislature is a mixture of the Imperial Parliament; the Governor represents the Monarch; the Legislative Council is our House of Lords, and the House of Assembly our House of Commons."

"In the spring Vancouver Island will be liberated from its thralldom to the H. B. Co. Then we will be asked by the Imperial government to provide means to support civil list and incidental expenses—and make the public improvements essential to the prosperity of the country."

Senec Land.—The decision of His Excellency the Governor to reserve 150 acres of the best land in each district for educational purposes meets the entire approval of the public."

"H. M. S. Plumper arrived yesterday from British Columbia, bringing Lieutenant Governor Moody."

Late arrivals from the Fraser river state that miners were leaving Yale with provisions, and that the first trip of the steamer Governor Douglas, Capt. Murray, left on Thursday morning for Langley, with 60 passengers and 110 tons of freight. This is her first trip. Mr. success attend Victoria's first sea-going steamer; and many more follow in her wake.

Recent reports from British Columbia state that Governor Moody has been well received by the people, and has rendered himself deservedly popular.

Silver coin, under the decimal currency of Canada, are two types of the new pieces. The cent is copper. The first installment was brought out from England by the Hon. Mr. Ross. Another installment is expected, when they will be put in circulation.

From an advertisement: "Hot whiskey punches of the best quality always ready to order, and a comfortable room to sit down in and enjoy it."

From the report of the Legislative Assembly: Mr. Pemberton—I move the second reading of the "Decimal Currency Bill."

Mr. Mackay—I move in amendment "An Act to constitute the coinage of the U. S. of America a legal tender," also in the shape of a rider, that His Excellency Governor Douglas, ask the Hon. the Governor to establish a mint in this colony."

Mr. Pemberton—I withdraw my bill. The amendment passed.

Mr. Pemberton—I move that a bill be brought in to incorporate the Victoria Navigation Company. The object of the company is to navigate the waters of Vancouver Island, Puget Sound and British Columbia.—Passed.

MEN AND THINGS.

W. S. Timis has invented a typeless printing machine, which he and business partner have been endeavoring to popularize the printing trade. The machine prints as fast as a typewriter can operate and uses no type. In its construction the machine utilizes to a certain extent the art of lithography. It does away with compositors and matrix-makers, and comes as near to being automatic as a device can be.

A Philadelphia man has had his sight restored by the use of radium.

One of Roy's lieutenants has confessed that Scott's body was sunk in Red river with a grapple tied to its neck.

Emperor Nicholas has come out strongly in favor of the anti-doping propaganda, and has addressed a letter to the leader of the movement, Don Alfonso, younger brother of the pretender Don Carlos, in which he expresses his complete sympathy with the aims and endeavors of the Prince, and sanctions the establishment of a branch of the league in Russia.

Marie Corelli requested that the farthing awarded to her as damages in her libel suit, which coin was tendered her personally, be given to the hospital in Shakespeare's town. Mr. Whiter, the defendant in the suit, carried out her wish, and applied for further farthings. Eight thousand have been received so far as a basis of a million-farthing (\$5,000) fund. Several persons offered to purchase the identical coin offered to Miss Corelli, but it will be sold by auction in aid of the hospital.

The surtax has reduced our imports from Germany 40 per cent. If imports are evils, and if similar goods have not been purchased elsewhere or through other channels, it has worked to our decided advantage.

Mme. Corlie has just won her case in the \$10,000 damage suit Manager Berry brought against her for refusing to appear in the play, "La Revue des Fleurs d'Amour," at the Maturine theatre. Her defence was that she did not object to appearing in the role assigned to her, but that the costume she was ordered to wear was positively indecent, leaving parts of the body nude.

riage horses 10 pounds of oats and 12 A magnet has been made, weighing only three and one half grains, which can lift 1,500 grains, or 445 times its own weight.

SPENCER'S

Western Canada's

... Big Store ...

No Furniture Charged During the Month of February.
The Furniture Sale is For Cash.

NOW IT IS A SALE OF

FINE FURNITURE AND HOUSE FURNISHINGS

WITH PRICES TO STIR ALL VICTORIA

During the month of February we will offer our stock of Fine Furniture at Greatly Reduced Prices

A few years ago one was almost certain to have to pay from 25 to 50 per cent. more than necessary for Furniture, and if the purchaser wanted to pay for it in monthly instalments it meant another 25 per cent. more had to be added to the price. We are slowly but surely revolutionizing the Furniture Selling, and on top of our usually low prices comes this Great Reduction Sale of Furniture and House Furnishings for the Month of February.

THIS SALE WILL LAST ONE MONTH

But wise people will be on hand good and early in the month, as there will be some exceptionally good bargains to be had. Qualities start at good and go up to the very best.

Lounges

Upholstered Lounges in Tapestry, With Backs.

Regular \$10.00, February price ...\$5.00

Regular \$12.50, February price ...\$6.75

Regular \$13.50, February price ...\$7.50

Bed Lounges, upholstered in good tapestry; regular price \$24.00, February Sale price ...\$14.50

High Back Lounges; regular \$29.00, for ...\$17.50

Push Covered Lounges; regular \$26.75, February Sale price ...\$14.75

Regular \$18.00, February price ...\$9.75

Eight colorings to choose from at ...\$6.75

Regular \$13.50, February price ...\$7.50

Lounges with oak frame, covered in plush; regular \$25.00, February Sale price ...\$18.50

Regular \$21.00, February price ...\$16.50

Regular \$35.00, February price ...\$23.00

Regular \$16.50, February price ...\$11.75

One Leather Covered Lounge, regular \$27.00, February price ...\$18.75

Lounges Covered with Silk Tapestry; regular \$24.00, February price ...\$15.00

Regular \$22.75, February price ...\$16.75

Dining Room Sets

Set of Six Dining and One Arm Chair; oak frame, leather upholstered seats:

Regular \$57.00, February price ...\$37.50

Regular \$45.00, February price ...\$32.50

Regular \$37.50, February price ...\$26.75

Mission Furniture

Old Pieces, all at a Considerable Saving.

Regular \$8.75, February price ...\$5.75

Regular \$12.50, February price ...\$8.75

Regular \$15.75, February price ...\$11.75

Regular \$18.75, February price ...\$14.50

Regular \$22.50, February price ...\$17.50

Regular \$25.00, February price ...\$19.50

Regular \$35.00, February price ...\$24.75

Regular \$43.00, February price ...\$32.50

Regular \$67.50, February price ...\$42.50

Rockers

Regular \$9.75, February price ...\$6.75

Regular \$7.50, February price ...\$5.75

Regular \$10.00, February price ...\$7.00

Hall Chairs

Regular \$7.50, February price ...\$5.75

Regular \$11.50, February price ...\$8.75

Regular \$9.50, February price ...\$7.50

Regular \$8.75, February price ...\$6.50

Regular \$11.00, February price ...\$8.75

Tables

Regular \$14.75, February price ...\$10.50

Regular \$19.75, February price ...\$12.50

Regular \$8.75, February price ...\$6.75

Hall Chairs in Oak

Regular \$15.75, February price ...\$12.50

Regular \$25.00, February price ...\$18.75

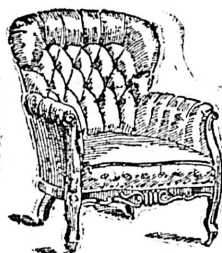
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Regular \$17.50, February price ...\$13.75

Regular \$22.50, February price ...\$18.75

Upholstered Chairs



Rockers, regular \$14.50; February Sale price ...\$9.75

Students' Chairs; regular \$14.50, February Sale price ...\$9.75

High Back Upholstered Chairs; regular \$12.00, February Sale price ...\$8.75

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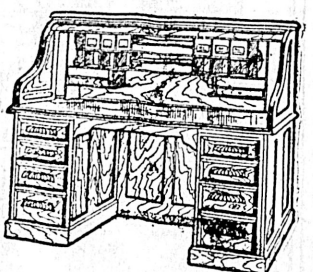
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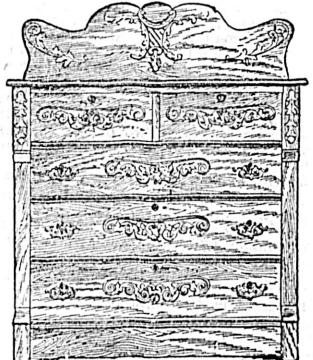
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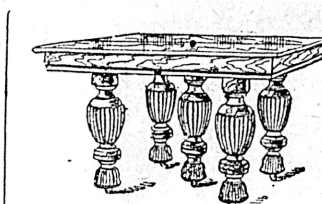
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Socialist Party.—"The Labor Problem" will be the subject discussed at the regular public meeting of the Socialist party in Labor hall this evening at 8 o'clock, when addresses will be delivered by prominent speakers identified with the movement in British Columbia.**Ministerial Association.**—The regular monthly meeting of the Ministerial Association will be held on Monday morning at 10:30 in the Y. M. C. A. parlor. Subject for discussion, "The Pastor in His Relation to the Sunday School." All members are urged to attend, and visiting clergymen are invited.**Woman's Auxiliary.**—Owing to an error the name of Mrs. Henry Clay was omitted from the list of kind friends who contributed towards the hospital ball, and Mrs. Poff's (not Mrs. Potts) resignation from the Daughters of Pity owing to change of residence, was accepted with much regret.**Sent to Los Angeles.**—The remains of the late Wm. E. Rookledge were shipped by W. J. Hanna on Friday night per steamer to Los Angeles, Cal., the widow accompanying the same to the old home. This is the last member of the Challam family to be interred. Beautiful flowers were sent with the sealed casket to its last resting place by the many friends.**Native Sons' Ball.**—The energetic hall committee of the Native Sons' Society took charge of the Assembly rooms yesterday afternoon, and until the evening of the ball, next Friday, will spare no efforts in the endeavor to eclipse their former efforts in the artistic decoration of the building. The supper committee again ask their lady friends to assist, as in the past. A programme of music has been prepared, which combines both old favorites and the latest hits.**Police Court.**—An old offender in the person of George Mason Johnson, was sentenced this morning in the Police court to pay a fine of \$100 and \$1.00 costs or serve three months in jail with hard labor. He chose the latter. He had supplied liquor to the Indians, with whom he has been in the habit of living when not sealing. His worship warned him that the next time he came up he would receive the full sentence the law provides. His previous appearances have been for supplying liquor and stealing from an Indian girl. The vagrant, Henry Henwood, failed to appear, having decided Victoria was too warm for such as he.**Edison Theatre.**—The programme for the coming week at the Edison is an especially strong one, headed by the inimitable German comedians, Hagan and Cooper, who are sure to please. There will be a beautifully illustrated song entitled "Sing Me a Song of the South," sung by Mr. Henry Gibbs, the new baritone of the Edison theatre. Besides these a team named the Pattersons, who introduce a very cute little youngster, Baby Harriet, in play exercises and very pretty electrical club swinging; Alice Warburton, sensational toe dancer, conclude the vaudeville part. The moving pictures are Edison's latest masterpiece, "The Great Train Robbery," "The Office Boy's Revenge."**Port Simpson News.**—Mr. Daniel Robertson, one of the proprietors of the Hotel Northern, is having a new laundrette built there, and when completed will be as fine a laundrette as is found on the coast. It is understood that it will be fitted with a modern gasoline engine, and everything else that is up to date. A company has been organized among the Indians here to build a new sawmill plant at the head of Works canal, some thirty miles from Port Simpson. It is stated that the new mill will have a capacity of twenty thousand per day, but that it will not be run to its capacity until the Grand Trunk commences operations, so that activity in the building line will also commence.**St. Columba's, Oak Bay.**—The entertainment given on Friday evening by the young people of St. Columba's church, Oak Bay, in aid of the Sunday school library, was an unqualified success. The songs and recitations by the children were rendered in their customary excellent manner. Mr. Oliver's collection of selections were much appreciated. The dialogue entitled "Cinderella," given by the young people, was the crowning success of the evening, and the large audience listened with eager interest. The old, yet ever new, tale of Cinderella's wrongs and how they were all happily righted, was retold for their entertainment. It goes without saying that in the future the members of Oak Bay church will rest assured as to the success of an entertainment left in the hands of the young people.**THE CONVENTION****MEETS TOMORROW****Liberal-Conservative Delegates
Will Meet at Adelphi Hall
to Deliberate.**

The provincial Conservative convention meets in the Adelphi hall tomorrow (Monday) morning. The executive is called together for 9 o'clock sharp, and the delegates will gather at 9:30 o'clock, when the preliminary committees will be appointed. By the Chamber last night Messrs. Semlin, R. Leard, H. W. Raynor (Kelowna), C. J. Ashwell (Chilliwack), C. J. South and other delegates arrived, and by this evening's steamer a large number will come over to attend the convention as delegates and visitors. A very interesting series of debates will take place.

IN CHAMBERS.

Yesterday morning before the Hon. the Chief Justice, the following cases came up: Johnson vs. Yale Mining Company, to change venue and postpone trial; stood over till 2nd prox. Re Hedley townsite, to close certain subsets; stood over for two weeks. Church vs. McFadden; affidavit of documents, struck out.

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The finest quality of granulated loaf sugar is used in the manufacture of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and the roots used in its preparation give it a flavor similar to maple syrup, making it quite pleasant to take. Mr. W. L. Roderick, of Poolesville, Md., in speaking of this remedy, says: "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy with my children for several years and can truthfully say it is the best preparation of the kind I know of. The children like to take it and it has no injurious after effect." For sale by all druggists and dealers.

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HALF PRICE**AT THE
White House**Departs For****The Orient****Gordon Smith War Correspondent of London Daily Mail En Route.****Popular Young Journalist-Artist
Has Done Some Creditable Work.**

Last night Mr. J. Gordon Smith, late of the Victoria Daily Colonist staff, and now accredited war correspondent of the London (Eng.) Daily Mail, to follow the fortunes of the Japanese army in the expected war with Russia, left last night by the Dolphin for Seattle, where he joins the American steamer Tremont, which leaves today for Yokohama.

Mr. Smith, who had passed an exceedingly busy day making a few necessary purchases, bidding adieu to his numerous friends, and settling up his affairs, was seen off at the boat by a large gathering of friends, who wished him all success in his new path of activity. He was in the best of spirits and expressed confidence in his ability to look after himself.

It is probable that Mr. Smith, who will make one of the Daily Mail's corps of correspondents now in Japan awaiting the declaration of war, will be assigned to one of the various divisions of the Japanese army, and so may go into Korea, Manchuria, or even into Siberia, if the Japanese manage to push the Russians hard.

Mr. Smith is provided with a first-class camera and will take if circumstances ever possible. He is an expert with the camera, and has at least one picture of very great historical value to his credit here, namely that showing Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Sir Henri Joly chatting on the Victoria wharf, while Mr. Justice Martin is seen in the background in all the imposing regalia of a Justice of the Supreme Court of British Columbia. It was a most happy snapshot; there are no better likenesses extant of the two famous lightening nemeses. The snapshot has been enlarged and makes a really fine historical picture. Sir Wilfrid has evidently just made a humorous remark to His Honor, for Sir Henri is laughing heartily, the expression on both faces is exactly that which is the despair of professional photographic posers—natural and lifelike.

Mr. Smith has a special commission to photograph for the Daily Mail, and it goes without saying that the chances of getting such a fine snapshot described in the foregoing lines his fortune is made.

The test to which he is about to be put is one that might well try the nerves of a veteran journalist, but all who know Gordon Smith are aware that if it is hard work, the "nose for news" and what they call "push," are of any avail, he will not fail under the ordeal he is now going to face. As a contributor to some of the leading magazines of the day, as well as of signed articles for the editorial page of the London Daily Mail, Mr. Smith has given earnest also of the possession of a strong, nervous literary style that is wonderfully successful in his stories in the Wide World Magazine, the Canadian Magazine and others, touching on sealing, the Indians and the wild north, have been exceedingly popular in this country and in England.

Mr. Smith last night laughingly declined to be interviewed by a Colonist reporter as to his intentions regarding the publication of his experiences in book form after the war, but it is understood that such a volume will be added to the fascinating library built up by the hardy, talented men who have faced danger and death in the wake of the world's great armies. Mr. Smith could certainly write an interesting and amusing book.

It may be mentioned that Mr. Smith intends to make good use of his talents as a draughtsman during the campaign, and it is not at all unlikely that some spirited sketches of battle and incidents of the camp will adorn the pages of the magazines and newspapers.

The Tremont should arrive at Yokohama about the 15th of February.

FIFTH REGIMENT C. A.

Date For Competition Extended—Promotions—Paardeberg Day Committee.

The following regimental order has been issued by Lieut.-Colonel Hall, commanding the Fifth Regiment:

Regimental Headquarters, Victoria, B. C., Jan. 30th, 1904.

The date for entries for the competition between sections for the prize presented by the officer commanding is extended to Feb. 20th, by which date all entries must be handed to the adjutant.

The annual general meeting of the members of the officers' mess will be held at the

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ANOTHER BUFFALO MYSTERY

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The discovery of a forged mortgage and the charge that Frank V. La Bountie had embezzled \$500,000 from his employers have produced another Buffalo mystery. Frank V. La Bountie was a six-week clerk before he was accused of stupendous embezzlement. Now he is recognized as a Napoleon of finance, is helping his employers to straighten out their business, and assuring them that they will make rather than lose by his transactions, and even is ready to back him with capital to carry forward his realty schemes. The developments are so remarkable as to almost change public opinion regarding the young man. One of the big business men of the city, who has been advising him to stand for his rights and not turn over all his property to his old employers. The public is losing sight of the criminal complaint against the young man in its admiration for his clever business ability, and even the firm which made the complaint has taken no steps to prosecute him. It is freely predicted that not only will La Bountie never be arrested and punished but that he will put his ability to good and legitimate use and become one of the leading business men of Buffalo, able to write his check for large sums, using his own name rather than forged fictitious names, as he did in his peculiar transactions.

The story of La Bountie is an interesting one. On the modest salary of \$62.50 a month he was the confidential clerk of the law firm of Wilson & Smith, and transacted the business of that firm, amounting to \$1,500,000 a year. He had full control of the trust funds handled by the firm and was regarded as an expert in such matters. Yet he was content to work for the modest salary of \$15 a week, and the firm had no suspicion of his elegant home and his living in a style that demanded ten times his salary. He used the trust funds in such a manner that he was able to keep his own real estate business and had weeks ago been accused of having appropriated more than half a million.

Dorchester road, one of the city's finest and most exclusive thoroughfares, was planned out and lined with splendid homes by this man. He built houses costing from \$10,000 to \$35,000, and sold them at a good profit. His Dorchester road was looked at with approving eyes a few weeks ago by the delegates to the annual convention of the Outdoor Art association, which was held here. They said it was one of the finest thoroughfares they had ever seen. It connects two of Buffalo's most exclusive thoroughfares—Bridwell Parkway and Richmond road. It is about six feet wide, asphalted, and in the center has a continuous flower garden, about which is a high coping, and along the way, at frequent intervals, there are fountains.

The houses which line the exclusive thoroughfare were quickly won up by wealthy home-seekers, none of whom knew that the man who was responsible for beautiful Dorchester road was the \$15-a-week clerk in the law office of Wilson & Smith. La Bountie told them that he was representing Eastern capitalists, who were investing great sums of money in Buffalo real estate.

Besides his Dorchester road scheme, which grew and became profitable, La Bountie founded the American Cabinet Company, a cabinet-making concern, which employs 150 men. He has scores of model cottages for the workmen and their families, and made the manufacturing business and the houses yield him good returns. By degrees he was paying back the money which he took from his employers' trust funds. The thoroughfare now amounts to about \$300,000, and as soon as La Bountie was found out he made a clean breast of his peculations and set about turning his property over to the firm, until it now has about all he owns, and which he says is far in excess of what he took.

La Bountie figured on being able to make full restitution from the profits of his real estate and manufacturing business before his employers found him out. Then he would have had this to say:

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Local News.

Ladies Entertain.—Friday evening the lady members of the Petite Club entertained their friends at the Caladonia hall. Dancing was kept up until the early morn.

Afternoon Service.—Rev. G. H. Riley, of Kilmartin, will address the men's meeting at the Caladonia hall, this afternoon at 4 o'clock. Mr. M. A. Thomas will assist with a solo.

Changed Hands.—George Fane has purchased the former business of George Wynne on Johnson street, and has had the parlors elegantly fitted up. He will be pleased to see Mr. Wynne's old friends; he is sure of his own.

St. Saviour's Church.—A concert will be given under the auspices of the St. Saviour's Literary, Debating and Musical Society in the school room adjoining St. Saviour's church, Victoria West, tomorrow evening.

At Royal Oak.—Last evening the Conservatives of the Saanich electoral district met at Royal Oak to elect delegates to the convention to be held tomorrow. There was a good meeting considering the very short notice, only one day, and the feeling was very harmonious. The following gentlemen were elected: A. D. Gale, Joseph Nicholson, Arthur Miller, F. J. Quick and D. M. Roberts, K. C.

Hockey Dance.—A dance was tendered to the visiting Nanaimo team in the Victoria hall last evening, and a most enjoyable evening was spent. There were over seventy-five couples present, and dancing was continued until midnight. The committee in charge were: Misses Watson, Spencer, Somerville, Mowat, Wollaston and Cameron, and Messrs. C. Rogers and P. Wood. Mr. Fred Wood made a very capable floor manager and pianist; his two-steps were much sought after.

Sidney Delegates.—At a large and enthusiastic meeting of the Conservatives of Sidney last night, Mr. J. D. Prayn in the chair, the following delegates to the Liberal-Conservative convention, which opens tomorrow morning in Adelaide, were elected: Messrs. J. D. Prayn, H. W. Bullock (Salt Spring Island), Capt. Wolley, Peter Inurie, J. H. Shopland, H. Hooten, Rufus North, R. Dixon, Ed. Pye and J. C. Crichton. The delegates were made and great unanimity prevailed.

Building Society.—The second annual meeting of Victoria No. 2 Building Society was held last evening at the Victoria hall, when the reports from the directors, auditors and secretary were read, and which proved most satisfactory. The following board was elected: P. R. Brown, J. H. McLaughlin, James Dorman, Charles Gardiner, and Peter Riddell. A. St. G. Flint was re-elected secretary and J. E. Church and A. B. McAdam were appointed auditors. The question of the absorption of the King Edward Building Society was then taken up, with the result that the assembled members voted for the same to take effect within thirty days. The second drawing for appropriation was made, the following gentlemen acting as a drawing committee: E. P. Ross, A. St. G. Flint and J. D. McEwen. Mr. P. R. Brown, and in No. 47 A and B, held by Thornton felt getting the drawing.

THE MAKING OF AN ENGINEER.—Let us look for a moment at the raw material and the finished product, leaving out of account the genius who may achieve eminence in engineering without special training. As the raw material is a youth of seventeen or eighteen, a standard below that which might be desired or expected, and supposed to be endowed with common sense, natural aptitude for the profession and sufficient physical strength, and the finished product is a blend of scientific and technical knowledge, practical experience, and business method. Our colleges should supply the first two requirements; but I venture to submit that the last two can only properly be acquired in the workshop and office, efficient that does not include a considerable period of practical apprenticeship. Colleges may supply knowledge relating to the properties of materials, the theory and structure of machinery, instruction in testing, and in the methods of attacking new problems; but it is only under actual commercial conditions that there can be acquired the proper type of practical experience, adequate knowledge of the design and construction of machines, experience of and sympathy with the workmen. It is in the factory or office that these can be gained, by observation and imitation, some knowledge of routine, estimating, organization, and the management, business methods and administration, the production of the maximum amount of work with the minimum friction and at the minimum cost. Imitation of good example counts for much in engineering, as in other professions, and to this, no doubt, can be largely traced the continuance of the success of our national engineering, despite our comparative slowness in advancing with the times. It is in this respect that the Continental and American systems of training will be found deficient. There the young engineer is launched into his future occupation after a college training of four or five years, or six boxes for \$2.50. By mail from N. O. Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont., and Hartford, Conn., U. S. A.

Commercial experience of a year or less. Underlying all branches of engineering there is, to some extent, the same practical foundation. All demand knowledge of the properties and uses of materials of construction, and of the method and processes by which they are converted into structures and machines. In many of the branches it is generally realized that a man must go "through the shop," and, after all, the processes in one "shop" do not greatly differ from those in another. Workshop experience is not, however, generally included in the training of all engineers; but surely it is desirable for all, and especially and increasingly so when steel has displaced to a large extent masonry and timber, when all types of motors bulk largely in their work, and when machines of all kinds are utilized to construct to their designs. If it is considered desirable that the training of all engineers should include experience in suitable workshops and factories, specialization being confined more or less to the drawing office, the question under discussion is limited to the consideration of the time required, and of the expense of that time between the college and the workshop. The duration of training depends to some extent upon the arrangement of the course; but, properly, it may be safely said that to produce the ideal young engineer the training should extend over five or six years, which might be about equally divided between the college and the workshop.—Engineering.

HEAD ON COLLISION.

Ulica, N. Y., Jan. 30.—A head on collision occurred on the Mohawk & Malone division of the New York Central railway between big Mouse and Beaver river station at 5:20 this afternoon. Three men were injured, but no one killed.

PARISIAN POLICE RAID.

Paris, Jan. 30.—The police have raided the headquarters of a large band of thieves which for some time have been terrorizing the Bellevue district. The band resembled a social society, having constitution and bylaws, and requiring an applicant for membership to swear on approval.

RETURNING FROM ABYSSINIA.

Marseilles, Jan. 30.—The steamer Victoria, having aboard United States Consul Joseph P. Kinnear, has been on a government mission to King Menelik of Abyssinia, has arrived here.

THE BLACK STONE OF MECCA.

Set into a corner of the Kaaba (the temple or shrine), of Mecca is what is known as the "black stone." It is an irregular, oval boulder, about 7 inches in diameter, 3 inches broad, and deep reddish brown in color. It is encircled by a silver band, studded with silver nails. It has been split by heat, carried away by Karahitians, and broken by a blow, but the band and nails hold it together. Some have declared it a fragment of lava, others a piece of volcanic basalt. Millions of kisses have worn its rough surface smooth. The Mohammedans believe it was a descendant brought from Heaven by Gabriel to Abraham, and that contact with the human race has changed its properties.

SHOOTING OF THE YOUNG IDEA.

A Drama in three spasms.

"Pa!"

"Well?"

"What is a widow?"

"A lady who has lost her husband."

(Pause)

"Pa?"

"What's the matter now?"

"What is a widower?"

"Oh! bother! child—a gentleman who has lost his wife."

(Pause)

"Pa?"

"Oh, be quiet! What do you want?"

"There's a gentleman down our road who has lost two wives—what is he called?"

"I don't know—go and play."

"Shall I tell you, pa?"

"No—yes—what is it then?"

"Why, he's the widower!"

(Exit triumphantly.)

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Northbound	Daily	Southbound	Northbound	Sat., Sun. & Wed.	Southbound
Leave.	A. M.	Arrive. P. M.	Leave.	P. M.	Arrive. P. M.
Victoria	8:00	12:00	Victoria	8:00	7:00
Shawnigan Lake	10:20	10:40	Shawnigan Lake	4:20	5:40
Duncans	11:00	10:20	Duncans	5:00	6:00
Ladysmith	11:57	9:20	Ladysmith	6:06	
Nanaimo	12:40	8:20	Nanaimo	6:41	8:18
Arr. Wellington	12:55	8:00	Ar. Wellington	7:03	8:00

THROUGH TICKETS TO CROFTON.

Via Westholme. Stage leaves daily, connecting with north and south bound trains. Double stage service Saturdays, Sundays and Wednesdays, connecting with morning and afternoon trains. Fare from Victoria, single \$2; return \$3.

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The announcement recently that Major J. E. Gough, commander of the column, had got the Victoria Cross for gallantry during the same action caused surprise and wonder why it was so belated.

It seems that Gough, as commander, recommended the other two, but made no mention of his own conduct. A private letter from Gough first brought the news to England, with the result that it was called to the attention of the King recently.

Gough is but 32 years old. He has been mentioned three times in despatches for service in South Africa and is now promoted to be brevet Lieutenant-Colonel.

Teacher—Where did the desert Gout get its name? Cause people go by it instead of through it.—Youngstown Telegram.

PIONEER DAYS!

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Presentation To
Arthur Longfield

Late Organist of St. John's
Church Gets a Surprise on
Friday Evening.

His Old Choir Present Beautiful
Illuminated Address And
Spend Social Evening.

On Friday evening last the old choir of St. John's church journeyed to Mr. Arthur Longfield's residence on the corner of Cook and Chatham streets, and surprised him by presenting a beautiful illuminated address executed by Mr. Charles Budden. The address was read by Mr. Rolfe and was worded as follows:

"Dear Mr. Longfield: Upon the eve of severing your connection with St. John's church as its organist, we, the members of the choir, feel that we cannot part with you without expressing our keen appreciation of the valuable services you have rendered to this church and choir.

"During the years that you have labored among us we know that it has been, on your part, a labor of love. Many are the undertakings, which must have entailed an enormous amount of time and work, that you have brought to a successful issue on behalf of this church. Your many acts of kindness, and your unselfish devotion to our welfare and the welfare of the church as a whole, believe us, we shall not readily forget.

"As an organist you have inspired us with confidence at times when paucity of numbers and other weaknesses would otherwise have made us present but a sorry spectacle.

"Your courteous behavior and willingness to oblige at all times have won for you a high place in our esteem. In short, dear Mr. Longfield, we feel that with your departure St. John's church has lost the services of one who combines the talent of a musician of the highest ability with all the qualities of a thorough gentleman.

"It has now come to the parting of the ways, and with our sincerest wishes for your future happiness, and prosperity, we must bid you 'Good-bye and Godspeed'.

The address was signed on behalf of the choir by Thomas N. Rolfe, P. P. Savage, and Tom Palmer.

Mr. Longfield, who was visibly affected, made a very suitable reply and thanked his old tried friends for the way they had stuck to him through thick and thin for so many years of close musical association. The choir arrived at the home at half-past eight and after the speech-making spent three happy hours in social conversation.

The address is a beautiful piece of work and reflects the highest credit on the designer and artist, Mr. Charles Budden. At the head of a picture of an organ is painted in place of the color of hair and general look of the boy might be a photograph of Mr. Longfield's grandson, who returned to England two years ago though Mr. Budden had never neither seen the child nor his photo.

The address will be placed on exhibition in the store windows of the Victoria Book and Stationery Company during the coming week.

Salt's Serges.—Cooper & Linklater, the fashionable Tailors, 47 Government street, have just received a consignment of Sir Titus Salt's famous Serges; celebrated the world over for superiority in dyes.

Baron Arthur de Rothschild, who died December 19, at Monte Carlo, bequeathed to the Louvre ten pictures of his collection, including the beautiful "Les Deux Amies" and "L'Oiseau Mort," by Greuze. Baron de Rothschild also gave the Cluny Museum an interesting collection of old rings.

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Victoria Circle
King's Daughters

Are Very Busy Preparing For a
"Made in Canada"
Fair.

Circular Letter Sent Asking The
Manufacturers of Canada
to Exhibit.

The arrangements for the "Made in Canada" fair and sample sale, to be held by the Victoria circle of the King's Daughters, during the week of the 24th of May, at Assembly hall, Fort street, are going on apace. The following ladies constitute the committee: The leaders of circles in Victoria, and Messdames Shaw, Croit, Haseil, McKelving, O. M. Jones, Munn, Morley, Harrington, Kent, Burton, Titon, Rockwood, Robertson, and others. H. H. Beaven, Fisher (Metochin), Maitland (Dougal) (Covitchan), and the Misses Leitch, Pitts, Newcombe and Mrs Watt (secretary).

The following letter issued by the secretary to all manufacturers throughout Canada, will fully explain the objects of the enterprise. The interest and co-operation of the Board of Trade has been promised, as also that of the Mayor and council. The main profits will go towards some necessary individual object; that proposed being the establishment of a convalescent home in the vicinity of Victoria.

Dear Sir: The King's Daughters of Victoria propose holding a "Made in Canada" fair immediately after Easter of this year. Our object is three-fold. First, we believe that a fair will be an object lesson in the resources and industrial development of Canada; secondly, we hope that such an exhibit of our manufactured articles will result favorably to the increase in the growth of a strong national sentiment; and lastly, we wish to give aid to various charitable enterprises, notably a convalescent home.

We are asking the co-operation of the manufacturers in Canada in the belief that such a fair will be of direct and indirect benefit to them. We have consulted with the secretary of the Board of Trade here, with several representatives of Eastern and local concerns, and have received hearty encouragement. All seem to recognize that for various reasons the products of our own manufacturers are not known as they ought to be in and about Victoria. Our people are often eager to buy Canadian goods if they only know what they are.

We should be glad of your help in this way. If you consider it worth your while to send us samples of your goods for sale, we will advertise them in our paper. We will have small stalls for their exhibit. Or, if you prefer you may make an exhibition of your goods in a booth erected for that purpose. In that case none of your goods would be sold, but you would pay us rent for the booth, probably not less than \$25, we agreeing to erect and light the booth and place someone in charge. Or you could share a booth with some other exhibitor, each paying its share of the rent. The option of exhibiting in booths is being offered only to British Columbia manufacturers, as the others are too distant to make such an offer profitable. We propose that the ladies of the circle in each city will be dressed to represent an advertisement of the goods, as poster girls in fact. We shall be glad to distribute advertising cards, folders, or stencils in a way which will be of benefit to you. Kindly let me know as soon as possible if you can send us anything and when you are likely to send it. The earlier articles for sale reach us the better disposition we will have to make of them. We presume that you supply instances your boxes will accompany your consignment to local dealers, and will be dependent upon the time of sending such consignment. If you have a local representative, we shall be glad to confer with him. We hope that you will recognize that we are at one with you as loyal Canadians in the wish to advertise in this province the articles manufactured by you, and that we will be benefited by the results to you will be widely beneficial.

Please address all communications to Mrs. A. T. Watt, Secretary "Made in Canada" Fair committee, Victoria, B. C.

THE WEATHER.

Metropolitan Office,
 Victoria, Jan. 30.—8 p. m.
SYNOPSIS.

The high barometer field remains in much the same position over the North Pacific Slope. With the exception of light showers in this vicinity rain or snow has fallen during the last 24 hours west of the Rockies. Temperatures have been stationary on the British Columbia and Washington coast, and slightly higher on the upper Mainland and the American ranges. In California it has been warmer. In the Northwest the pressure is again increasing in the Territories, light snow has fallen and temperatures are sensible.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	28	44
New Westminster	34	40
Kamloops	16	32
Barriere	24	32
Dawson	12	2
Calgary	21	36
Winnipeg	2	12
Portland, Ore.	36	38
San Francisco	46	60

FORECASTS.

Fort 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific time)

Sunday:
 Victoria and Vicinity: Light or moderate winds, chiefly northerly, cloudy and cool with occasional rain today or Monday.

Lower Mainland: Light or moderate winds, cloudy and cool with occasional rain today or Monday.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Observations taken daily at 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m.

SATURDAY, JAN. 30.

Deg. Barom. at 5 p. m.—Corrected.....30.43

5 a. m. 38 Deg. Barom. at 5 p. m.—Corrected.....30.43

Noon.....42 Highest.....46

5 p. m. 43 Lowest.....38

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a. m. 2 miles north.

Noon.....2 miles north.

5 p. m. 3 miles north.

Average state of weather.—Cloudy.

Rain and melted snow.—(In Inc.)

Barometer at 5 p. m.—Corrected.....30.43

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p. m.—Corrected.....30.46

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Another Chapter in Ghosts

Strange Illusions and Messages From--Where?

By D. W. K.

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Be thou a spirit of health, or goblin damn'd,
Bring these airs from heaven or blasts from hell,
Be thy intents wicked or charitable,
Thou com'st in such a questionable shape
That I will speak to thee.

—Hamlet.

RECENT VISITORS to San Francisco have returned with astounding tales of the work of a certain medium in that great city who calls upon the spirits of the departed, delivers messages from dead to living friends and mentions dates, names, localities and incidents with a fidelity that astounds his audiences. In nearly every instance the persons dead or living were and are entire strangers to the medium who does his tricks for call them what you may in the full glare of the electric light and upon a platform which is destitute of cabinet or other furniture. The hall on the occasion of his public seances is packed. The medium advances to the front of the platform and after a short exposition of what he is about to produce begins by calling out a name.

"Did any one know a certain Mrs. Mary Brown when she was on earth?" A lady's voice from some part of the hall responds.

"Yes, I knew a lady of that name." The operator, without apparently noticing the interruption, continues: "I am on a steamer. We are bound for the north. We have been three days at sea and we reach Vancouver. I cannot stop there. I go to another place—Victoria. Ah! there I see a lady. She is related to Mary Brown, deceased—a daughter, I think. Yes, a daughter, Mary Brown had a message for her daughter which she wishes you (looking in the direction from which the voice had come) to deliver. Tell the daughter that her mother says she is not well and that she is about to pass away upon her bed and here. There is a gentleman here who wishes to speak to you (again looking in the direction of the voice). He lived on Puget Sound. His name is—"

"He wants me to tell you that you have acted nobly and your reward is certain. He awaits your coming with impatience. Did you ever know a person of that name?" The female voice. He was my husband."

"Ah!" exclaimed the medium, "there is a man named Max Popper. He has something to say to Mr. Ernest Popper who he says is in the room. Is there such a person here?"

Agitated voices rise and exclaim, "That is my name."

"Well, sir, your friend wishes me to tell you that you must stop playing the game of rags and will overtake you. He says you drink too much."

"Goodness gracious," exclaims the earthly Mr. Popper, "what's my brother Max. He blew his brains out when he lost a thousand dollars at the track last year."

The medium continues: "He says that you will not blow your brains out for a very good reason. But he bids me say that you are spending money that is not your own."

"Goodness gracious," interrupts Ernest Popper, in a great state of excitement, "that is so, but how does he know it? Who told him? What else does he say?"

"Nothing. Is there a lady here named Mrs. Arabella?"

"That's me," a shrill female voice from the rear breaks in.

"You have lost something. It is of great value. Your husband's here. He says that if you look in the dark closet under the first pair of stairs in your house you'll find what you lost."

The female makes a quick exit to search the dark closet for her treasure. "Is there a Mrs. Pollard," Mrs. Irene Pollard in this room?" he next asks.

"A timid little woman in a faded shawl pops up, blushes, opens and closes her lips as though emitting a sound and sits down."

"Is your name Irene Pollard?"

"Yes, sir," comes back the nervous answer.

"I have a message for you—from your son George."

"But my son's dead," gasps the frightened little body.

"I know he is—that's why he sends you a message. He bids me tell you he is very happy. The other boys are with him and they are waiting for you. He says he wants you to forgive him for his neglect of you while on earth."

"Has—has he seen his father?" ventured the lady.

"No," and he says he doesn't want to see him either. He adds that where his father is there is neither snow nor ice."

"Oh!" eagerly explained the little lady, "was killed by an avalanche in the Sierra Nevada Mountains. George doesn't mean that he's in the bad place. He means that he won't be buried up again."

The audience laughs doubtfully but makes no comment.

"I see," continues the medium, a handsome girl of some twenty summers. Her long hair is hanging loose and her garments are wringing wet. She says that her name while on earth was Adelaide—and that she was drowned in the wreck of the Rio Janiero in San Francisco harbor. Does any one recognize her?"

Half-a-dozen persons spring to their feet and all exclaim that they knew the girl while in life.

"She wishes to speak to Mrs. —"

A lady rose in the audience and in trembling accents responded to the call. "She wishes to say that she is happy—much happier than while in life. She says that you should not take the step you contemplate—marriage—for you will have nothing but unhappiness with the man who has proposed to you."

The lady gave up her wraps and with a very red face and a little cry of dismay hurried from the room, looking as if she wished she had not come.

And so the seance goes on every evening. The mystification of numerous audiences and the interest in the education of the parties who are favored by their spirit friends with messages from the other world. It is said that the medium is unacquainted with either the dead or living persons who send and receive messages through him. This is probably correct. I long ago arrived at the conclusion that the wonderful powers possessed by clairvoyants cannot be ascribed to any cause at present known to man. It is a gift that few possess and the possession of which none can explain. "It was born in me," said Mrs. Sampson, the seeress at the Clarence who told things in Victoria twenty years in 1889.

"Am I clairvoyant?" a gentleman asked her.

"No, not a bit—you're too earthy."

"What do you mean?" he asked.

"I mean that you're of the earth, earthy. You're wedded to your flesh-pots."

The visitor looked at the gross old woman as she leaned back in an easy chair and looked at him with a strong odor of onions flavored her breath and filled the room, and his choler rose.

"Well," he retorted, "I may be fond of my flesh-pots, but I don't eat six meals a day and I don't weigh 300 pounds."

"Sir," she said, "how dare you say that I eat six meals a day and insinuate that I weigh 300 pounds?"

"I dare say I do. And you not only eat six meals but you have a suet sent up after you have retired every night."

"Well, I don't drink whiskey, any—"

"No," said the visitor, "but you eat onions, which is worse—and you eat."

"The seeress waited to hear no more. She waddled out of the reception room into the bedroom and locked the door."

But for all that the old lady told a great many things that were true. She had already related my experience with her and I have never been able to find out how she knew what she told me.

One bright moonlight night in the summer of 1892 a number of ladies and gentlemen stood at the corner of Government and Port streets waiting for a street car. Presently, just as the "tram" swung around the corner, the figure of a man darted from the sidewalk and walked right in front of the advancing car. There was no fender and it seemed that the man must be run down. The people on the corner, however, noticed the man and a warning and the motorist tried to check the speed. It was too late. The dashboard seemed to strike the man in the side. He paid no attention but kept on looking northward. The car went on to the left, crossed the track and gained the opposite sidewalk. I watched him till he reached the entrance to the stairway of the Bank of Commerce Building and then he disappeared. The figure, the white hair, the dress were those of Hon. J. H. Turner, finance minister. At least a dozen persons witnessed the incident and stood upon the corner and looked on with interest. In the morning I went to him and congratulated him upon his narrow escape from death.

"Why," he replied, "I was not out of my seat that evening. It must have been some one else."

Who was the "some one else" I never knew and to this hour am as deeply puzzled as any of the persons who were present. The other day Hon. J. H. Turner defied the car and, apparently, allowed it to pass through his body.

One evening in the winter of 1892 I sat in the Speaker's chair at the Legislative Hall. The day had been most wearisome and when the evening session opened I was completely worn out. Hon. Mr. Beaven was the leader of the opposition and his seat was on the left of the Speaker. He was recovering from a severe illness and it was the practice not to push any legislation in which he felt an especial interest during his absence from the House. On the night in question I took the chair at 8.15 o'clock. I glanced along the rows of seats and saw a quorum. Amongst those I counted as present was Mr. Beaven. I saw him approach his desk, twist his chair around and take his seat. He remained for several minutes fumbling with the papers on his desk. Then he rose and walked towards the front of the hall in the rear of the hall. Presently a motion to read a bill a third time was made. It was a bill in which Mr. Beaven felt a keen interest as it concerned his constituency, Victoria City. I rang the division bell and the members trooped in from the lobby. I waited one minute, two, three minutes for the leader of opposition to appear. Then I sent a page to summon him. The page returned shortly with the information that the gentleman was nowhere to be found. I still remained from putting the question. Attorney-General Davis asked what the speaker was waiting for?

"I am waiting for the leader of opposition to take his seat," said one of the hon. members.

"But I saw him," I insisted. "I saw him in his seat and saw him leave the hall."

After another minute's waiting I put the question and the bill went through. The next morning it transpired that Mr. Beaven had been in the House at the time of the division. His appearance and disappearance were baffling, due to overwork or what is called at the present day "brain fog," on my part.

Some years ago a lady of this city died suddenly. While she was an earnest Christian her husband had serious doubts as to the future. They were devotedly attached and both were anxious to know whether, after death, they would meet again. Every possible means was adopted to quiet the husband's doubts and give him the assurance which his wife enjoyed and he was told that whoever passed away first should, if possible, send a sign to the other from the spiritland. When the wife died the husband waited for the sign, but none came. He grew very despondent and his unbelief grew and strengthened until he became next door to an atheist. Time wore on until one day his widow, who was generally announced that he had at last received the overdue message from his wife and that he was now convinced of the reality of a future existence. He made no secret of the fact that would have come to him if he had not been so sure that he disclosed to any one the nature of the message, except that it was in the precise words he had agreed upon with his wife. After a few weeks of apparent happiness and peace of mind, one evening he was found lying dead at his house. He had passed away in a fit of epilepsy to which he was subject.

Nearly thirty years ago I made one of a party of ladies and gentlemen who formed a circle for the investigation of the phenomena of spiritualism. We were accustomed to meet each week alternately at each other's homes and resting the palms of our hands on the top of the pine table received many messages by means of raps from forces that claimed they were disembodied spirits. Some of the messages were of a very pleasant nature, others were not, like some medicines, agreeable to the taste. The spirits were generally in a very sedate and serious frame of mind. Some of the knocks were nearly indistinct as if the spirits were of a timid nature. Others were firm without being noisy. The knocks from the female visitors were generally soft and delicate, while the male knockers were more decided and were readily distinguished. After a while we were able to recognize certain spirits that came frequently by the nature of their raps. There was one unaccountable blackguard who often made his presence manifest by the most pronounced knocking and riotous behavior. He said his name was Richard Loo and that he had been a sailor. From the way in which he acted I should have thought that he was two or three sailors, and not very sober once at that, in one. He would attack the table with a hammer and would pound upon it with all the vigor of a strong man bent on destroying it. Then he would lift the table two or three feet from the floor and bring it down again with a tremendous jolt. Upon his approach the other spirits would seem to fly away, only returning when Mr. Loo had ceased his noisy and foolish conduct. Some other circle to continue his ill-conduct there. The gentleman spirits used to refer to Richard as a "bad un," much given to swearing and the use of tobacco and entirely unreliable. The rioter himself said that he was kept near earth because he had been too wicked while in life to mingle with the better natures that inhabit the higher spheres. The witnesses that the former sailor told were so monstrously absurd as to stamp him as a lying spirit. When he took his departure he would give several heavy knocks and then raise and lift up the table and slam it down on the floor to the imminent danger of the people whose feet were beneath it. In spite of the rough usage the table received it never showed signs of damage. One of Loo's specimens lies in evidence as a sample of all. One night a gentleman asked,

"Do you know my name?"

Loo rapped out the querist's name.

"Have you met my brother in the spiritland?"

"Yes—know him well."

"Is he happy?"

"More than happy—he's married again."

"Why, he's got a wife on earth."

"That makes no difference—it doesn't count here."

Then followed a stream of profane language in the most of which the circle dissolved in haste and the rapping was suspended. The following day the "dead" brother arrived at Victoria.

I have been particular in mentioning the Loo incident because I am informed that the ancient mariner with the hoarse and profane manners and Cantabrian habit has recently appeared at a private circle in this city and that time has not mellowed his disposition or curbed his desire to make trouble for the more peaceful and decent inhabitants of the ethereal spheres.

A friend who was with me yesterday narrated some wonderful instances of slate-writing. He handed a visiting medium two slates securely tied together and then he asked the medium to insert a letter in a sealed envelope containing certain questions that he wished answered. He kept his eyes on the slates and the envelope and in the course of a few minutes he wrote on the slates and found written upon them messages conveying the information desired. Amongst other things he was told of the death of a brother in Mexico and of the death of a friend in New Zealand. Old Cariboo and Cassiar men will recall Dennis Cain. He was lost on the Pacific. My friend and Cain had many heated controversies on the subject of religion while traveling in Cassiar. Upon these slates appeared a message from Cain in which he said that he had found out his mistake and now wished to say that he was very happy and contented. Having embraced a new religion after going down in the Pacific. Each message was in different hand-writing and expression, and as the messages were by the fingers of the medium must have been severely taxed to produce ten or twelve messages varied in character and dissimilar in orthography. But how did she penetrate the sealed envelope or get inside the slates?

When Eva Fay was here in 1896 she did some wonderful things. I entered a cabinet with her and held both her hands firmly in mine. In spite of which banjos and tambourines were played upon, vegetables thrown and my face was shaken by unseen hands. How were these things done? By spirits or jugglers? I incline to jugglers, but I have no proof. In explanation of her clever responses to written messages it was noted that her manager handed each person desiring to ask a question a slip of paper and a piece of cardboard upon which he was supposed to write his message. When the messages were given by the fingers of the medium were taken up too and handed to the manager who stood in the right of the platform with paper and cardboards in hand. The popular theory was that the manager wrote on the paper the pasted board, which was chemically prepared, recorded a duplicate of the writing and ventriloquism did the rest. In writing my questions I rested the slip on the rim of my hat. When my name was called the woman failed. She said: "You want to know something about your business?"

"No," I interrupted, "I know too much about that already. My question is of an entirely different nature."

"I must have got your message mixed with some one else's. I'll return to it later," she said.

When the list was exhausted and she was about to leave the stage the manager called out, "You've forgotten to answer that gentleman's query?"

Oh! she said, "I can answer it now. Yes. The lady to get a Fowler bicycle. It is made in Chicago."

My question was: "A lady friend of mine is putting on flesh rapidly and wishes to know if she should ride a bicycle. But how did she know that spirit had called a bicycle form?"

Why did the medium not answer my question off-hand as she did the others? Was it because I used the rim of my hat instead of the cardboard to write upon? But how did she know that spirit had called a bicycle form? The question correctly without having left the stage or, as far as the audience could see, communicate with any person? It is strange, passing strange, and still I do not believe that spirit had ought to do with it. If they had, surely they would have instructed their mouthpieces to foretell the bridge disaster and thus avert a lamentable loss of life. Shall we have fine weather on Monday for the Queen's Birthday celebration?

"Yes," she answered, "you will have glorious weather and a good time."

Not a word about a defective bridge which even then was tottering and falling. A word of warning from the medium might have caused an inspection to be made. It's a queer thing that these mediums should appear to tell so much and still I do not believe that spirit can do a single instance in my own experience where warning from spiritland prevented a catastrophe. Others may, I cannot. There have been presentiments of danger. I have had them myself, and on many occasions Cariboo has perished. Why were not the Clallam victims warned of their impending doom instead of being urged to destruction by a fancied security?

Everyone who knows anything of Cariboo must also have heard of the Clallam that branches off from the 150-Mile House, a good bridge having lately been built from that point.

In Clallam enormous quantities of hay and grain are grown in that section, many hundreds of acres being rolling prairie. I saw one field of grain last summer nearly two hundred acres in extent, the grain so high that a great part had to be cut with the sickle.

The same may be said of Soda Creek, Alexandria and around Quesnelle Mouth Town. Splendid farms in cultivation and plenty of land only waiting for the touch of capital, but a railway is wanted before much can be done to develop the country. The farmers must have a market for their grain. At present enough only is grown for their needs. From Quesnelle Mouth up the Fraser river and all along the telegraph line beautiful locations could be taken, and some are taken up. Chains of lakes abound with fish of all kinds and game of every kind.

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Wonderful Resources of the Cariboo

"THE FATHER OF THE PROVINCE"

By Mrs. Macnaughton.

IN MY recent travels it has surprised me very much to find how ignorant—even the best informed—are of the resources of Cariboo—the world-famous "Golden Cariboo."

Some think it is a British Siberia or cold barren country producing nothing but gold and inhabited by a few miners, Hudson Bay officials and Indians. Cariboo is the largest district in the province of British Columbia, being eight times as large as Great Britain. This vast area is partially unknown and unexplored. The best known part of the district is along the wagon road

seven miles distant from Quesnelle to one extensive hydraulic mine on the Quesnelle river, which road if extended twelve miles further along that river would connect with another road to Quesnelle Forks, and so open up to prospectors that valuable section, and Quesnelle river would again produce millions to the enterprising miner for his arduous toil. There are many deep workings—all hydraulic quarry mines—further north of Quesnelle. The old historic mine, the Bell of Lightning Creek, is now being worked. Large mining operations have been going on there

of the black sand. They had thousands of dollars in coarse gold and nuggets for their six weeks work, and these nuggets were shown me in scoops such as a grocer would use for tea or sugar. The past season was short through the small supply of water this year, but their mine is in their door, never failing to yield its annual output. The historic Waverley, Towhee and other mines have all done well the past season.

The Cariboo Consolidated Mining Co. is on the South Fork of the Quesnelle river and is the greatest hydraulic gold mine in the world. This mine, under the able management of Mr. Holson, has produced over \$1,000,000 in gold, and that under the most adverse conditions and with not sufficient water. Mr. Holson has done work that will last. Every dollar spent by the company is there, a credit to its able manager Mr. Holson.

Other mines as valuable lie awaiting development between Quesnelle mouth and the forks of the Quesnelle, some 45 miles distant, and part of a road in that direction is already made, thirteen miles in length, from Quesnelle mouth extending to Mr. James Pearson's hydraulic mine on the Quesnelle river, and only twelve miles more of a road from this mine would connect with Beaver Mouth mine and a good trail from that point goes on to the forks of Quesnelle. This road from Quesnelle mouth to the forks would shorten the distance between these points by many miles and would open up many valuable mines at present inaccessible.

This mine, talked of all-Canadian route to the Yukon cannot fail to pass through Cariboo and then will be brought to light its vast resources, both mineral and agricultural.

As I said before, when the district of Cariboo is given the advantage of railway facilities only then will be seen and known its vast resources. What the great Northwest is to Canada today, so will Cariboo be to the province of British Columbia in the near future.

Bird's-Eye View of Barkerville and Surrounding Country.

from Ashcroft to Barkerville, 280 miles in length. This road branches to various points in Lillooet District, Horsey, forks of Quesnelle, Gileton, Alexander and other places. Along this well kept highway have sprung up these various points and with some of the best farms and cattle ranches in the province. Fruit, flowers, roots and grains of all kinds grow and yield enormous crops. Even seen from the wagon road is a veritable garden around Clinton; the traveler cannot fail to see the well cultivated fields and gardens. The fruiting valley of Lac La Hache (so called by the Indians in early days), means a lake of fish, with its beautiful lakes abounding with fish, this valley is a veritable Eden and splendid farms are in evidence. Some of the best butter in the country is made there, the farms supplying to a great extent the upper country with these products. Thousands of acres are also used as ranges for the cattle. These farmers can cut hundreds of thousands of tons of hay every year.

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for the past year under the able management of Mr. Bailey, and this year will see further great developments in mining. I visited some of the principal mines last summer and the vast operations surprised me. Through the courtesy of Mr. Hopp, the manager, I descended the shaft at Slough Creek, a depth of three hundred and sixty-five feet. A large compressor was sending

down pure air to the miners working below, some of them more than a mile from the bottom of the shaft. The noble have to work in gun boots, coats and hats, sometimes with water up to their knees, enormous engines pumping out the water night and day.

At Willow River, Mr. Laird was preparing for the coming season and pumping out water at the rate of 1,000,000

The founder of this family was, in Peter the Great's time, a simple cooper before the apartments of the Emperor. One day as he was standing at his post a nobleman approached and asked to be admitted. The doorkeeper, however, refused to let him in, declaring that the Emperor had given positive orders that no one that afternoon was to be admitted to his presence.

"But," said the noble, "I am the Emperor's friend."

"Still, I cannot admit you, sir," said the doorkeeper.

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"But, your Majesty," exclaimed the noble, "this man is a common soldier."

"Then I make him a captain," said the Emperor.

"But I am an officer of your Majesty's household."

"I make him a colonel of my Life Guards."

"My rank, as your Majesty knows, is that of general," protested the noble.

"Then I make him a general, too, and thus the beating you are to get will come from a man of your own rank."

The noble then took his punishment philosophically. As for the young soldier, he was next day commissioned a general and made a count. From him the present family of the Tolstoy's is said to be descended.—Modern Society.

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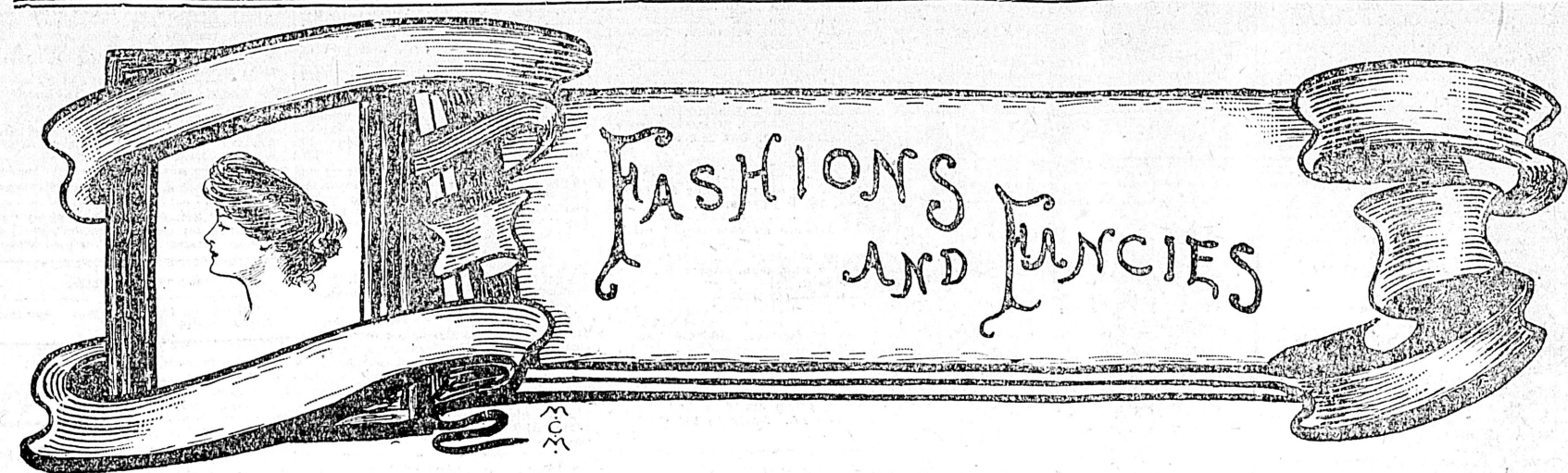
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"The many weddings which have of late gladdened the hearts of our little community formed the chief topic of the desultory chat which followed."

"Yes," said a sweet-faced woman in grey, "after hearing your description of these brides with their smart frocks, beautiful presents and dainty artistic homes awaiting their return from the honeymoon, one cannot help thinking of the marked contrast between the conditions of these fortunate ones as compared with those who faced the problems of life during the early '60's in this far Western province."

"Oh," laughed a pretty girl in a picture hat, "I suppose they built a tent in those days, had a young lady to attend them, and the honeymoon trip consisted in going by canoe to Nanaimo?"

"My dear," replied the lady in grey, "no such luxury as a honeymoon trip existed for the pioneer bride. For you girls of the present day, who feel in your hearts that a man owes it to you for anything less than the elegancies and conveniences of your own comfortable homes, it would be difficult indeed to draw a word picture sufficiently strong of what those other girls, leaving homes just as beautiful as yours in the dear mother land across the sea, were prepared to face when following the men of their choice to a far off and little explored colony. I could tell you some vivid stories."

"Ah! please do," everyone clamored. So drawing our chairs all closer round the glowing hearth, this was the tale we listened to:

"Any tourist who passes up through the Fraser valley cannot fail to remark as great scars upon the landscape the stumps of trees which stand grim reminders of the great fires which raged during the years '65 and '70, completely devastating and laying waste the primeval forests covering a vast tract of country. At that time my father and I were living alone in a small house on the coast, the only settlers in a valley, 45 miles from the nearest town, 8 miles from the nearest post office and 4 miles from their nearest neighbors—the Indians, who were in these days only partially civilized. To the occupation of two land by the white men, there were no roads at all, the only means of conveyance being Indian canoes and a river steamer which plied once a week between New Westminster and Yale carrying the mails. My father being a civil engineer was obliged to make frequent journeys away from home, leaving my mother, then a young and very beautiful woman, practically alone in the wilderness with her five little children, the eldest of whom was only nine years of age. From one of these expeditions my father failed to return when expected. For many days we waited and watched in great anxiety for the return of our father, but he did not come. The countryside had been for weeks enveloped in a dense cloud of smoke so thick that it caused acute pain to the eyes, and steeped everything in a gloom so intense that at midday it was almost dark. Quantities of dead birds were found on the ground and floated on the surface of streams in which the fish were dying by thousands and wild beasts driven from their haunts wandered aimlessly about. One memorable night we children were all hastily aroused from sleep and told to dress quickly and come out into the garden. Being too young to fully realize the danger, we were all wild with the excitement of a night alarm, but what an awe inspiring sight awaited us. During the night a strong wind direct from the sea had blown the low lying veil of smoke away. The range of mountains about three miles away from our cabin—between which and the coast lay a stretch of meadow with long grass dry as tinder—were one vivid blinding sheet of fire. A constant shower of ashes and cinders fell upon our heads where we stood. On every hand, north, south, east and west, the whole earth assumed a raging mass of flame, and the fires, although still many miles away were traveling at express rate towards us.

"In the middle of our little patch of garden in a deep hole some four feet wide and six deep, there was our fragile, delicate little mother, digging away furiously—frantically—desperately—pausing only for a moment to call out directions to us in a voice which could barely be heard above the roaring and crackling of the fires, with the thundering and crashing of great trees falling. In the awful and lurid light her beautiful, pale, clear-cut face gleamed like a cameo from out the masses of her jet black hair, which all unconsciously fell in a tangled mass about her head, and her hands, which she held almost to her knees. The broken left of the spade had cut deep into her right hand and down the handle a constant stream of blood was flowing. But still she dug on with wet purpose and grim resolve, unexpecting every moment that the flames would break through the forest which lay to the back of our little clearing, but just about daybreak the wind changed and the smoke came down again like a heavy pall. My father, who had been on the coast, came back in a few days from now she celebrated their golden wedding."

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